## Key Scriptures

Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib, and he brought her to the man. "At last!" the man exclaimed. "This one is bone from my bone, and flesh from my flesh! She will be called 'woman,' because she was taken from 'man." This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. Genesis 2:22-24 NLT

*My soul follows close behind You* ... Psalm 63:8 NKJV

... they ... pursued hard after them ... Judges 20:45 KJV

But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. Hebrews 3:13 NIV

If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them. James 4:17 NIV

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9 NIV

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## TALK IT OVER

Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

What's your favorite thing to do for fun with others?

Start thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?
- Read **Hebrews 3:13**. In what ways do you enjoy being encouraged? What does it look like to encourage those around you daily?
- Pastor Craig talked about the importance of doing what you once did to get what you once had. If you're married, what are some things you did early in your relationship that you might want to pick up again? If you're single, how can you more intentionally invest in your friendships?

Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- Talk about a time when someone said something kind or did something special for you. What did you learn about God through that experience?
- Think about a relationship that's important to you. What is one thing you could do differently this week to improve that relationship?

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

Father, thank You for giving us special and important relationships in our lives. We are grateful for the people You have surrounded us with. Please help us to be intentional with those around us and be great reflections of You. In Jesus' name, amen.

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- If you're married, talk with your spouse about one way you could have fun together this week. If you're single, find one way to have fun with some friends this week.
- Start the *Craig & Amy's From This Day Forward* Bible Plan using Plans With Friends: <u>www.go2.lc/thisdayforward</u>
- Consider how you could love others by serving on the weekend or with a Local Mission Partner.