Message Notes

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Grow Group Discussion Guide (October 20-26, 2019)

Scripture Readings: Genesis 12:1-9 and Ephesians 4:11-13, 16
Message: "Blessed to Serve"

Getting Started

1. Have you ever witnessed a transformation in someone else's life? What was it like and why has that story stuck with you?

Growing Deeper

- 2. When we share stories of how God healed/transformed/ changed/ freed us from the bondage of sin in our lives, we are telling first hand accounts of God's love and faithfulness. How might sharing these parts of our bigger story, invite others to experience similar things in their own lives?
- 3. Tommy Bowman asked, "Do you live your life in such a way that demands a gospel explanation?". What do you think he meant by this question and what would your answer be?
- 4. It has been said that "grace means we don't need to airbrush our lives to make them look perfect when they're not". Does this thought change how you feel about sharing the messy parts of your life with others?
- 5. How have you experienced God's transformation in your life?

Going Home

- 6. Think this week about the "Land" God has placed you in. How might you live out your calling in that specific place, at this time in your life?
- 7. When God brings healing in our lives, He often equips us to walk alongside others in similar circumstances. If that is the case- there are people around you that need to hear your story, see your before and after in person and hear how God redeemed your situation- so they can see it is possible for them too. How might you be a conduit of God's love and grace to others?
- 8. Take time this week to reflect on what God has transformed in your own life (much to give Thanks for!). What areas of your life do you still hope to see God redeem, change, heal or transform? Consider writing these things on a sticky note in the front of your Bible and commit to surrendering them in prayer.