

DNA

Group Guide:
Week 1

CONNECT BREAK THE ICE AND GET PEOPLE TALKING

- What is a unique thing about your family that you are proud of?
- What is distinct about your spiritual community that you are proud of?
- Discipleship check-in (at the bottom of this guide!)

INTRODUCTION

We are a family on mission. Christ has called us into the family of which he is the founder and forerunner, and he's called us to chase after him. If we're going to do that well, we have to press into who we are and what we're called to do. We have to press into the DNA of who we are as God's family. At Aletheia, we like to say that we exist to bring the truth, grace, and changing power of the gospel for the glory of God and the good of all people. We'll be unpacking what that means over the next few weeks, moving through our core values of truth, grace, and change.

This week, we'll be discussing the *truth* of the gospel story, and the immense power it has to transform our lives. It is the gateway to the grace we are meant to experience in Jesus and his people, and the change we are meant to bring (and undergo!) alongside him. It's a personal truth—indeed, it's a truth that's a Person!

READ & DISCUSS

READ: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

DISCUSS:

- When Paul summarizes the gospel, what details does he include? Are there any that he leaves out? Why do you think that is?
- Twice Paul uses the word "vain" in this passage, once in verse 2 and again in verse 10. What would it mean to believe in vain? What would it mean to render God's grace to us vain?

REFLECT & APPLY

DISCUSS:

- Do you believe that the gospel is that "in which you stand, and by which you are being saved"? Why or why not?
- How comfortable are you sharing the gospel with others? Why?

PRAY

Thank God for His grace to us in the gospel of Jesus Christ! Thank Him that He has shared truth with us when we could not find it for ourselves, and that He has done for us in Jesus what we could never have done for ourselves. Ask God to give you greater confidence in the story into which He is inviting us, and to open our mouths as a church to proclaim the truth that He has shared!

Discipleship Check-In

- Have you prayed and read your Bible consistently the past week?
- Who is someone you're praying to share Jesus with this week, and what's one way you can love them well?