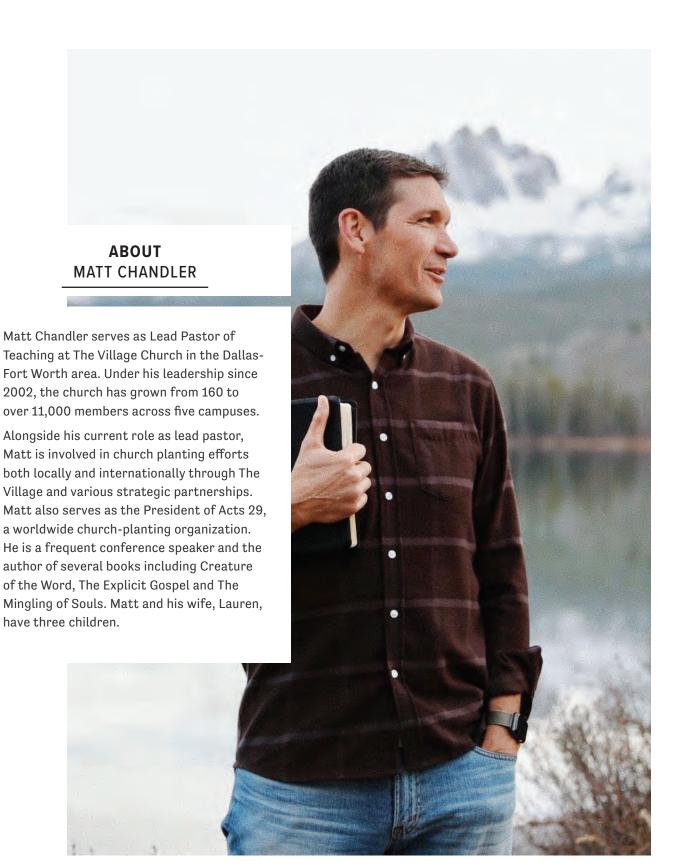
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STUDY GUIDE





#### **SESSION 1: A HISTORY OF DARNKESS AND DEPRAVITY**

#### SESSION BIG IDEA

Rightly understanding our deep need for God and eternity will equip us to seek that which is eternal and look with joy to the second coming of Christ.

## THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN THE VIDEO

What sets us apart from the rest of creation?

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What are two things highlighted from John 1:1?			
	BIBLE STUDY N Ecclesiastes 3:11	IOTES	
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### PERSONAL REFLECTION & APPLICATION

What are some examples of ways you try to find contentment?

How has God filled up the gap of eternity and reordered your life with common graces?

#### LIVE IT OUT

Select at least one activity below to complete before next week.

**Pray:** Take some time now to thank God for His coming and the promise of His return.

**Memorize:** Commit Ecclesiastes 3:11 to memory as a constant reminder that only Christ can fill the gap of eternity.

**Encourage:** Identify someone trying to find contentment in temporary things and make an intentional effort to encourage him or her with the hope of Jesus, that He is near and at work within even if we cannot see it.



**SESSION 2: RESCUE** 

#### SESSION BIG IDEA

The promise God has given us through the prophet Isaiah concerning the coming of Jesus Christ is that both our iniquity and our transgressions will be solved in the person and work of Jesus Christ.

### THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN THE VIDEO

How does the Bible answer the question that philosophy and sociology have set out to answe				
For those who have put their faith in Jesus, because of His life, death, and resurrection, wh does God see when He looks upon us through Christ?	ıat			

### BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Isaiah 53:4

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### PERSONAL REFLECTION & APPLICATION

What burdens, sorrows, grief, or losses are you carrying alone? What do you need to relinquish to the Father?

Do you feel you're stuck in your iniquity or that God hasn't lived up to His end of the bargain? Could it be that Christ hasn't under-delivered? Could it be you haven't trusted Christ only?

#### LIVE IT OUT

Select at least one activity below to complete before next week.

**Pray:** Ask the Lord to help you see the areas of your life that need to be cleaned out and be intentional about following His direction as He does so.

**Memorize:** Commit 2 Corinthians 5:21 to memory as a constant battle cry that Jesus paid the price for your sin and sees you as holy.

**Accountability:** Reach out to 2-3 trusted believers who know you well and invite them to help you stay accountable in pursuing the areas of holiness you most need to grow in.

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#### **SESSION 3: FORGIVENESS**

#### SESSION BIG IDEA

As a result of the coming of Christ who dwelt among us, we can enter into the forgiveness of God to be fully forgiven, freely forgiven, and forever forgiven.

What does it mean to be blessed in Christ?

### THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN THE VIDEO

	two verses does Matt quote that teach us we are fully and freely forgiven?
	has Christ made it possible to be fully ven, freely forgiven, and forever forgiven?
	BIBLE STUDY NOTES
	Ephesians 1:3-7
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### PERSONAL REFLECTION & APPLICATION

What do you need to do to allow God to make you holy and He is holy?

What steps do you need to take to rest fully and completely in the forgiveness of God?

#### LIVEITOUT

Select at least one activity below to complete before next week.

**Pray:** Ask God to continue transforming your heart so that you are able to bless "the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 1:3).

**Write:** On a piece of paper, write out I Peter 3:18 and place it where you'll see it each day this week. Every time you read it, remember that Christ died once for all. There is no sin that is not forgiven.

**List:** Make a short list of 2-3 practical life changes you can make based on what you've learned from this study. Place it somewhere that you will see it daily and continue striving to live according to God's Word in the days ahead.



#### **SESSION 4: NEW HEARTS AND LIVES**

#### SESSION BIG IDEA

Our greatest hope is what God and God alone has promised to us in the coming Messiah and what we celebrate in Advent.

### THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN THE VIDEO

According to Ezekiel 11:19, for those who come to faith in Christ, God replaces the heart of stone with what?

Why are the people of God compelled to enter into the sorrow and brokenness of this world?

What are three examples Matt gives of a heart of flesh that is more tender than a heart of stone?

BIBLE STUDY NOTES

#### 2 Corinthians 5:17

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### PERSONAL REFLECTION & APPLICATION

How have you entered the fray to help the widow, orphan, stranger, sick and dying?

When you drift away from God, how did you recognize you were drifting and how did you come back to Him?

#### LIVE IT OUT

Select at least one activity below to complete before next week.

**Pray:** If you find yourself drifting away from the LORD, ask God to forgive you and to empower you to stay faithful in your walk with Him.

**Evaluate:** Take some time over the course of the next week to consider your heart in light of Ezekiel 11:19. As you do, resolve to make whatever changes necessary to align your heart with God's Word.

**Serve:** Look for practical ways to enter the fray and be the hands and feet of Jesus to a broken and lost world.



#### **SESSION 5: ALL THINGS NEW**

#### SESSION BIG IDEA

Emmanuel, God with us, came and lived the perfect life so you and I might be given His righteousness by taking our sin and nailing it to the cross.

### THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN THE VIDEO

How does Matt explain why you and I are uniquely placed in a time in history where our confidence in the Word of God and our confidence in who God is should be growing not shrinking?

Matt says we are unique in that we get to see so many of God's promises fulfilled both by the proclamation of the Word and what else?

According to Revelation 21:1-6, how are all things made new (or renewed in the Greek)?

#### BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Luke 2:1-8, Revelation 21:1-6

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### PERSONAL REFLECTION & APPLICATION

How are you investing in eternal things?

As a result of this study, what can you do practically to live out your faith in the hope of Jesus' second coming?

#### LIVE IT OUT

Select at least one activity below to complete before next week.

**Pray:** Whether life is good or you are going through times of difficulty, spend time this week asking God to remind your heart once again that you are a God who keeps His promises, who can be trusted, and who does what He says he will do.

**Get Involved:** Reach out to someone in your community who is need of a mentor, prayer partner, or a Godly influence in their life. Invite them to church and share the gospel with them.