

## **OPEN UP**

For many, we are just getting together for the first time since May. Welcome back! We are so excited to start the study of Philippians together. To begin, take the first few minutes of Group to share highlights from this past summer.

- Did you travel?
- Make any memories?
- Were you able to rest?

## **LOOK BACK**

With school starting again, many are getting back into a routine. The following questions are designed for you to share how you're doing but also to begin a pattern of accountability among your group. Don't be afraid to share!

Care for one another

- 1. How are you? Share a *highlight* and a *challenge* from your week. *Accountability*
- 2. How did you grow this week? Did you pursue and obey Jesus? In what way?
- 3. Did you share Jesus with others this week? Do you find it difficult to share the Gospel with people?

## **LOOK UP**

- 1. Read Philippians 1:1-2
- 2. Paul identifies himself and Timothy as servants, more properly, slaves. What comes to mind when you hear the term "slave"? Would you ever identify yourself as a slave?
- 3. What does Paul mean when he calls the believers at Philippi "saints"?
- 4. Respond to the following: "Being a 'saint' presupposes a sanctity of all who belong to Christ." The logical question that follows is: "Are you a saint?"
- 5. What do you find encouraging about Paul's greeting as he offers grace and peace? (vs 1-2)

## **LOOK FORWARD**

- 1. What from Philippians 1:1-2 shapes how you see the week coming up?
- 2. What from Philippians 1:1-2 do you need to obey this coming week?
- 3. How can the group be praying for you this week? (End in prayer)