



# COLLABORATIVE DISCIPLESHIP

## 2 Cultivate

## Assurance of Salvation

## 1 Connect

**Summary** Those who have faith in Jesus Christ can be confident and assured that they have eternal life with God.

**Read** 1 John 5:9-13 and ask the following questions:

- 1 What do you like about this passage?
- 2 What do you find uncomfortable or difficult to understand in this passage?
- 3 What appears to be the main idea emphasized in this passage? (Look for repeated words or ideas.)

**Consider** how the following passages increase our understanding of this passage:

**A Read** Romans 5:1-11

- 1 Why did God the Father choose to give His Son to die for us?
- 2 What has Jesus saved us from?
- 3 What is our part in salvation?
- 4 What are the benefits of being reconciled with God?

**B Read** 1 John 5:11-13

- 1 What is true of the person who has Christ?
- 2 What is true of the person who does not have Christ?
- 3 On a scale of 0-100%, how sure are you that you have eternal life?
- 4 What are the beliefs and values promoted in these passages?
- 5 What do these passages reveal about our human condition and God's response?
- 6 How are these beliefs and values similar or different from those that have influenced you? (such as your family, culture, peers, church, etc.)
- 7 How might our faith increase and our lives change as we embrace what is true and important?
- 8 In light of what we've discussed, how can we pray for each other right now?

Describe a time in your life when you felt uncertain about something important to you. How did you feel?

## 3 Care

How can you, or we, express Christ's love to others this week?

Here are a few ideas:

**Pray** God would meet their deepest needs.

**Help** meet a felt need they have.

**Encourage** them with a text, note or verbally.

**Give** them a thoughtful gift or buy them coffee.

**Invite** them to do something fun or meaningful.

**Listen** to their story.

**Explore** their thoughts on the gospel.