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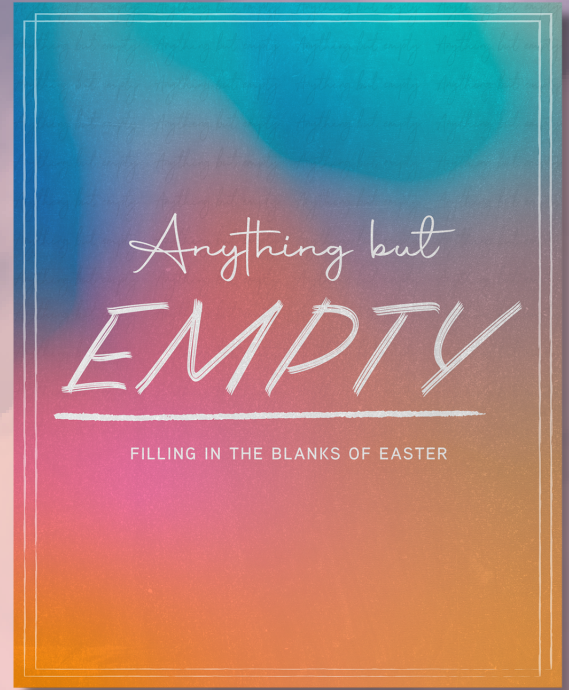
WEEK 4

1-MINUTE SNAPSHOT 

When bad or disappointing things happen, it's much easier to conclude that there is no God. But in the absence of a good God in loving control, we become the world's judges and critics, which can end in bitterness and isolation.

When Jesus is dying on the cross, the criminal next to him asks him to remember him in the kingdom. And Jesus says, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

Someone who had never believed or lived a life of faith was shown compassion even in his worst moment. This is the heart of God for those who are far off.



Why do you think Jesus granted the criminal on the cross an eternity with Him? (Read Lk. 23:38-43)



Do you believe in the concept of eternity? What does that look like when you imagine it?

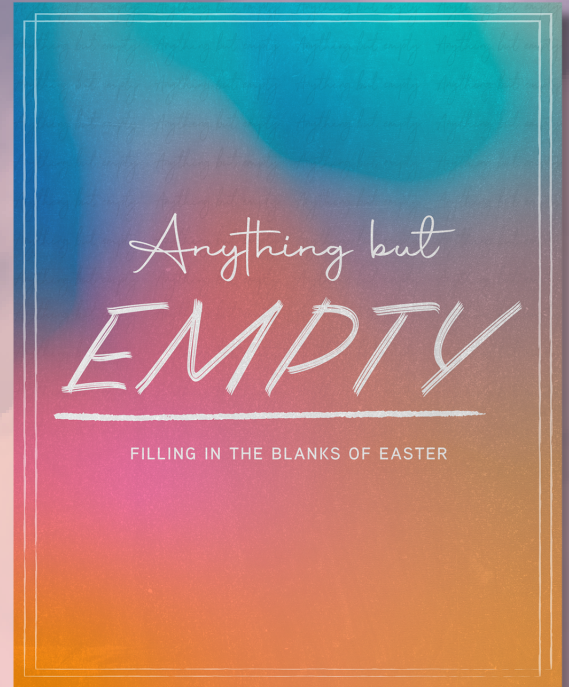
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WEEK 4

LEARN RHYTHM

Read Luke 23:26-43

- What stands out to you most in Luke's account of the crucifixion of Jesus?
- Jesus often quotes the Old Testament in his words. Read Hosea 10:8 and reflect on Luke 23:29-30. What do you notice?
- Read Isaiah 53:9 and verse 12. What do you notice about these words that were written generations before Jesus' crucifixion?



**“Lean into the tension”
Question**

If the cross was always a part of God's plan to help restore Jerusalem and all the people of the world, what does that mean for anyone who is far from God right now?

Follow along.

WEEK 3

FOLLOW RYTHYM

Practice scripture meditation.

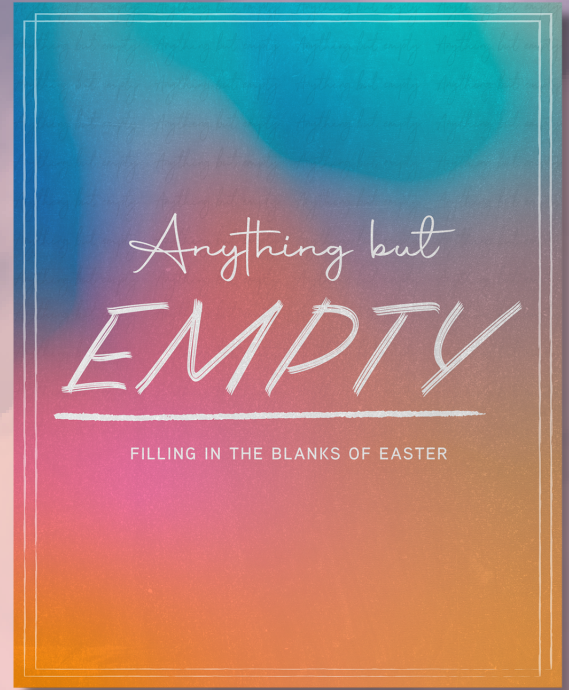
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Read Hebrews 10:19-22. What do you notice on the surface?

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Read the passage two or three more times. Pick one thing that stands out to you as a group and study that word or phrase. What do you notice upon deeper reflection?

Let us draw near.



Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Heb 10:19-22.

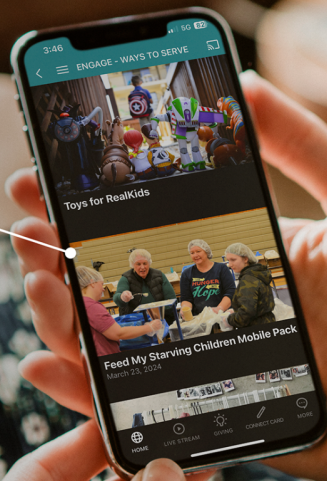
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