

# SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Against All Odds - Week 2



## CONNECT

Spend some time checking in. What are highs and lows since you last met? How can your group members pray for and support each other this week?

## GROW

- In the time of the early church, some people told the Galatians that in order to be *real* followers of Jesus, they needed to do certain things a certain way (Galatians 1:1-7). Paul reminds them that this trap doesn't define them: Galatians 2:16.
- What has you feeling trapped and in need of freedom? (ex. a toxic relationship, addiction, debt, comparison, perfectionism, caregiving, politics, etc.)
- Have you ever tried to go "up" on a "down" escalator? When do we try and earn God's love and grace through certain rituals or practices, and how does this image speak to that?
- What would freedom look like for you? And how could you begin to "Leave the traps behind you and let God's freedom define you"?

## PRAY

Loving God, you know that life leaves us feeling trapped from time to time. Through Paul, you remind us that you want us to live lives full of freedom. Help us to leave the traps behind so we can let your freedom define us. Amen.

