# **GROWTH GUIDE**

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

#### **Share: Get Talking**

 Are there any "Do's or Dont's" that if you could go back and tell your younger self you would?

#### Study: Go Deeper

Read Hebrews 6:1-12, what insights or principles stood out to you as you studied the passage and heard it preached this week?

- Do Press On to Spiritual Depth, Don't Settle for Shallow Faith! (vv. 1-3)
- The writer urges believers to "leave the elementary doctrines and go on to maturity." According to Romans 8:29, what is the ultimate goal of maturity?
- -What are some signs that a believer is growing toward maturity? In other words, what are some "fruit" in our lives that demonstrate Spiritual growth?
- Looking back over the last few months/year/ five years, how have you grown and matured in your walk with Christ?
- Do Bear Fruit That Lasts, Don't Take Advantage of God's Grace! (vv. 4-8)
- These verses contain one of the strongest warnings in the New Testament. What emotions or questions come up for you as you read them?
- -Why do you think the author includes such a severe warning here? What purpose does it serve for genuine believers?
- -What role do Christian community and accountability play in helping us keep pressing forward? Someone else grow?

## Do Keep Pushing Forward, Don't Slow Down When It's Hard! (vv. 9–12)

- Verse 9 offers hope: "We are convinced of better things in your case." What are the "better things" the author is referring to, and how do they encourage you?
- According to verse 10, what are some Biblical ingredients for persevering in the faith?
- When you're weary or discouraged, what helps you endure?
- Verse 12 calls us to "imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises." Who are some people biblical or personal examples—you look to as models of faithful endurance?

#### **Support: Grow Together**

- How has God changed your life?
- How did it go this week reading the Word, praying, sharing your faith, serving others, etc?
- Is there something going on in your life right now that others may not know that we can pray for/encourage you in?
- What words of encouragement do you have for the other people in your group to help them persevere in the midst of their difficulties?