DISCOVERING OUR AREAS OF UNBELIEF

Walk through the following activity as a group. If your group is larger than six people, you might want to divide into groups of three or four to make sure everyone gets a chance to participate. Be real, honest, prayerful, and loving as you make these truths personal together.

First, have each person . . .

- Share one area of unbelief you listed in Reflection #1: take sufficient time to explain the situation, tell the story, and list struggles and battles, lies and accusations, and temptations or words from the past that pull you away from belief in God and His gospel?
- Either explain ways you applied truth to that area in Reflection #2 (How do you see God provide answers and truth, specifically through the person and work of Jesus?), or, if you have a hard time knowing how the gospel provides answers or truth, ask for help.

After each person shares, have others in the group . . .

- Celebrate specific ways God is working in that person's life—sanctifying him or her by bringing His truth to the situation he or she explained. Considering how you shared stories (see "Introduction"), mention themes you noticed of God's work and specific ways you see Him drawing each person into deeper belief, relationship, and rest in Him though the gospel.
- For everyone, especially if they ask for help, dig in; ask questions and speak truth in love to one another. What did you notice as they shared? What gospel themes or ways in which God is working did you pick up on that might encourage or exhort the person who shared?

PRAY:

Spend time praying together for your group and for each specific person: that God would help you each believe more and more in Him and in His gospel work, that He will help apply that truth to your everyday thoughts, words, and actions, and that He will grow you into existing as a community that models and speaks the gospel to each other and to others.