

## GROWING FURTHER | WEEK 9

## JEREMIAH 33:23 - DANIEL 8:27

- 1. As you read your Bible this week, which particular thought(s) and event(s) stood out to you or surprised you? What questions came up that you would like to find the answers to?
- 2. In what ways did Jeremiah suffer as a result of his prophetic calling from God? What new things did you learn from this week's reading about the fall of Jerusalem and the fate of the tribe of Judah?
- 3. What were your thoughts and feelings as you read Lamentations? Which images stood out to you? Which themes did you find that related to the character of God? (Chapter 3)
- 4. Ezekiel may have had the hardest job of any of the prophets in the Old Testament. Read chapter 2 together. If God had sent you to the Israelites to bring his message to them, and he had told you what he told Ezekiel about the people you were going to, would you have been excited to go? Did the people even listen to what Ezekiel had to say? Why do you think God even bothered to send Ezekiel to them?
- 5. Which of Daniel's personal characteristics stood out to you? Why? In what ways did Daniel put his faith in God into action? What can we learn from his example about faithfully following and serving God in a hostile culture? Which one of the stories from the book showed you how you can be more faithful to God? Why?
- **6.** What does Daniel's interpretation of King Nebuchadnezzar's dream (Chapter 2) reveal about God's presence and involvement in the world? Why would this have been important to his original audience, the Jews living as exiles in Babylon? Do you think God is still just as involved in the events of the world today?

## Try it!

Memorize the names in of the first 5 books of the New Testament in order, Matthew - Acts.