

## TALK IT OVER

### One Another:

#### Protecting One Another

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#### Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group or use one of these.

What does “protect one another” mean to you?

Please read **1 Corinthians 10:23-24** aloud.

- How can we balance our personal freedoms with the responsibility to build up and care for the community around us?

#### Hebrews 3:13 NIV

"Encourage one another daily...so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness."

- What Biblical examples show how God provided encouragement to His people in difficult times?

#### Proverbs 13:20-21 NLT

"Walk with the wise and become wise; associate with fools and get in trouble. Trouble chases sinners, while blessings reward the righteous."

- In what ways can a community (or you personally) help individuals resist temptation and stay accountable?

#### 1 Peter 5:8-9 NIV

"Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion... Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings."

- How can we apply the protective principles from Sunday in our daily lives and within our own community?

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#### Start praying: Be bold and pray with power.

Abba, Father, I am so grateful for Your guidance and protection. Thank you for the community of believers You have provided around me. Please shield me from discouragement, reminding me of Your promises and the strength I find in others. Remind me daily that standing together in faith is protection against the prowling enemy. Help me to choose what is right. May I always remember to encourage one another, uplift one another, and walk together in unity and love. Holy Spirit, thank you imparting your wisdom and grace. Your Presence is so needed in my life. Amen.

**Leader:** Make time to pray for and with each other. Break into groups of three, take time for healing prayer or pray with individuals requesting prayer. This is important!

#### Start doing:

This week reflect on God's precious gift of protection and how we may pass this on in our community.

#### 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7 NIV

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God... And our hope for you is firm because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort."