

#### **Hitting Your Stride In Week 3**

Week 3 is where we really begin our journey through Paul's letters. In the first two weeks we mostly read through the story of Luke and Acts. We heard of Jesus' great sacrifice, his death-defying resurrection, and saw the birth of the church. Now we start to get to the part of the New Testament that answers the question, "If this is true, what should we do about it?"

#### What's New in Week 3:

- Week 3 Intro Video & Reading Plan: Paul traveled throughout the Mediterranean region to bring the story of what Jesus did to those who had never before had a chance to be a part of God's big plan.
- Stories of Anchored Lives: Explore why reading with others matters. Plus encouragement, tips, and more.
- Let's Hear It From You: The stories are already starting to come in. Plus you can share what God is doing in your book club this week.

WEEK 3 - 1&2 CORINTHIANS, GALATIANS, ROMANS

# **Letters of Paul, Part 1**



## Watch This Week's Video

#### **Reading Plan**

- Day 11 pp. 125-135
- Day 12 pp. 135-148
- Day 13 pp. 149-164
- Day 14 pp. 165-175
- Day 15 pp. 177-190

Just jumping in? You can get caught up on previous emails and videos HERE.

More great tools for the whole family:

- Saddleback Kids: Hey-O Stories of the Bible podcast
- Saddleback Student Ministry: Immerse: Luke & Acts podcast

# **Good Neighbors & Book Clubs**



Stories from Anchored Life:

"Maria E., from Buenos Aires, decided to start a Book Club at her home. She invited non-Christian friends and neighbors who hadn't been to church for a while, and to her surprise, they said YES!!!

The biggest challenge for her is not only starting this club but also inviting a neighbor who can hardly read because she is 92 years old, and as an additional fact, her neighbor is not a Christian.

What could have been a hindrance Mary turned into an opportunity. She committed to going to her neighbor's house every morning to read her the New Testament. María is doing her part, and we trust that God will do His through María!"

## Let's Hear It!



### Sharing the Stories You Hear in Your Book Club

God is speaking through someone in your book club this week. You just have to be listening for him! Julie D., one of the amazing small group hosts at Saddleback, shared how her small group is doing "double duty" and going through a study that they were already in the middle of, *and* accepting The Anchored Life Challenge. That's a lot of reading to go through, but Julie's commitment to being a part of something big is a great example of why community is so important at Saddleback. Plus adding the context of the entire New Testament is going to bring any study into a whole new light.

Let's hear your story! Just reply to this email or send an email to <a href="mailto:smallgroups@saddleback.com">smallgroups@saddleback.com</a> to "tell on" someone and their story in your book club.

Join The Anchored Life Challenge

Do you have more questions?

If you want to learn more about The Anchored Life Challenge and *Immerse: Messiah*, then you've got three great options:

- Or you can watch one of the <u>recent Zoom FAQ sessions with Pastor Jason Williams</u>.
  Reply to this email with any book club questions you are stuck with!

