

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- Icebreaker -

If you could re-write the 12 Days of Christmas, what would you give on Day 7?

- Scrooge was first visited by the ghost of his former work partner, Jacob Marley, who said, "You can never make amends for life's opportunities misused." Do you think this is true or can God redeem our missed opportunities?
- 2. Scrooge was asked by the Ghost of Christmas Past to look back at his life at some key moments when his life trajectory changed. What is one event from your past that was pivotal?
- 3. When the Ghost of Christmas Present interacted with Scrooge, they saw Fred and Clara talking about Scrooge when Fred said, "I'll give him the same invitation year after year, whether he likes it or not." Who do you have in your life that needs an invitation, and will you keep inviting them? (Galatians 6:9)
- 4. The Ghost of Christmas Future didn't speak to Scrooge but showed him what would come if he changed nothing. How does the uncertainty of the future challenge your here and now and what steps do you need to take? (<u>1 Timothy 6:17-19</u>)
- 5. Scrooge realized that he needs Jesus to "rescue" him. Read John 3:17, Psalm 22:19 and Psalm 38:22. We all need Jesus to rescue or save us. What circumstances helped you understand this truth and say 'YES!'? If you haven't yet said 'YES!' to Jesus' invitation, what is holding you back?

Day One: <u>Psalm 58</u> Day Two: <u>Proverbs 27</u> Day Three: <u>1 Samuel 9</u> Day Four: <u>Isaiah 58</u> Day Five: <u>Acts 2</u>

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