SERIES OVERVIEW

THIS SERIES

"We're meant to be." It's how all of our favorite movies, songs, and books talk about love—as if the secret to an amazing relationship is a little bit of destiny, a whole bunch of feelings, and a tiny dash of magic. So it makes sense, when we observe the not-so-perfect, real-life relationships modeled by our friends, parents, and favorite celebrities, that we might start to wonder, "Wait—is *that* how relationships are meant to be?" In this 4-week series, you'll give students a better lens for evaluating their current and future dating relationships as you help them see that the secret to a relationship that's "meant to be" is to **stay close to Jesus, date with purpose, know who you're looking for,** and **keep sex in the right context.**

THIS MONTH

WEEK 1

This week, you'll push students to consider how they love God will impact the way they love others

BIG IDEA: Staying close to Jesus makes every relationship better.

BIBLE: Matthew 22:36-40; Genesis 1:26, 2:18; John 15:9-17

WEEK 3

This week, you'll challenge students to compare who they're looking for and who they are with God's word.

BIG IDEA: Dating on purpose means you know who you're looking for.

BIBLE: 2 Corinthians 6:14-15; Proverbs 1:5, 3:1-35

WEEK 2

This week, you'll help students see that dating is more than just something we do for fun – it has purpose.

BIG IDEA: The purpose of dating is to lead toward marriage.

BIBLE: 1 Corinthians 10:23-24; Ephesians 5:31-32; Philippians 2:3-4

WEEK 4

This week, you'll challenge students to choose God's design for sex instead of the world's approach.

BIG IDEA: Sex can be seriously fulfilling or seriously destructive.

BIBLE: Proverbs 3:5-6; Matthew 5:28; 1 John 1:9; Proverbs 4:23-27

Over the course of this series, we are here to walk alongside you. Reach out with thoughts or questions to <u>hsm@gethope.net</u> or <u>msm@gethope.net</u>