

# WEEK 3

## SMALL GROUP GUIDE



### 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 WEEK

#### **THE BIG IDEA**

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

#### **THE BIBLE**

II Corinthians 6:14-15  
Proverbs 1:5, 3:1-35

- Do you believe everyone has one "soul mate"? Why or why not?
- How do you decide whether or not you're attracted to someone?
- How do you decide whether or not you might like to date someone?
- Have you ever dated someone who didn't share your faith? What happened?
- Read Proverbs 3:1-35.
  - List 10 qualities or behaviors you should look for in a partner.
- Which of these qualities do you have? Which do you need to develop?
- Which do you think is the most difficult to find: someone who is compatible with you spiritually, intellectually, emotionally, socially, or physically? Why?
- Which of those five areas is most important to you? What about least? Why?
- What is your biggest worry or question about breaking up with someone?
- What's your next step toward identifying the person you're looking for? What about becoming the kind of person someone else might be looking for?