

# MYSTERY

## LIFE GROUPS DISCUSSION GUIDE

### **GUARANTEE, Ephesians 1:11-14—October 21, 2018**

In Christ, believers have received an inheritance which, through the power of the Holy Spirit, is guaranteed until we go to heaven.

#### **CONNECT**

1. Share a story about a time you received or anticipated an inheritance.

#### **CELEBRATE**

2. Reread Ephesians 1:3-14. Share what you learn about the heart and work of God the Father, Son and Spirit from this passage.
3. What do the many “in Him” statements tell us about the exclusivity of Christ as the one who saves and gives an inheritance? (See Acts 4:12.)
4. Who is the “we” Paul mentions in verses 11-12? Who is the “you also” in verse 1:13 and 2:13?
5. Was there a time when you heard the gospel and responded personally with belief and repentance? If no, what questions do you have about that? If yes, share about when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him. How has your understanding of the gospel and your belief in Him continued to deepen this month?
6. The kind of inheritance we leave behind to our descendants can be lost or wasted and eventually comes to an end. Contrast this with the description of our inheritance through Christ in 1 Peter 1:3-5.
7. God cares more about the glory of His name than we do. Where do you see that in this passage? Where do you see it in other scripture passages?

#### **CONTRIBUTE**

8. God is so kind to give believers position and a promised inheritance through Christ. Does this compel you to tell others about Jesus? Ask God to bring to mind those to whom He wants you to share with about Jesus and His redemptive work. Write down their names, pray for opportunities and faithfully share. Be ready to tell your group about it next week.

#### **PRAY**

Behold Him. Together, thank the Father for His plans, Jesus for His saving work and the Spirit for His sustaining provision. Commit to honoring Him in the little things this week.