Week 8: Prophetic Hope

Fellowship

- Eat: Ask someone else to bring the snacks and drinks to provide hospitality.
- **Check-Ins:** In a large group or small groups of 2-3 do an emotional—Who is someone you are really grateful for in this season of life? And why? (encourage everyone to contact that person afterwards)

Adoration

- **Prayer:** You could read one of the "evening prayers" from the Common Prayer book or App.
- **Worship**: Ask someone to lead worship or use a speaker with your favorite music App. You could try a playlist of <u>Gospel Music</u> or <u>Cory Asbury</u> on Spotify!

Learning

• Scripture:

- Ask someone to retell the story of covenants so far! Creation, Abraham, Moses, David...
- You now need to teach some historical context covering from David to Jeremiah. If you
 prefer you can read this one page summary together (see the Church @ home tab or the
 shared folder):
- Jeremiah 31:31-34 and 33:14-26
- What stands out to you from Israel's history in this period?
- What are the features of this new covenant and promise? How is it different or similar to past covenants? Can you attest to or challenge those from your experience following Jesus?

Resources:

Excerpt from A Passion for God's Story by Philip Greenslade. (Church @ home tab)

• Dialogue Questions:

- What do you think of this excerpt? Have you thought about the OT this way before?
- What strikes you about Israel's story as a whole? How have the last weeks changed or added to your understanding of God's engagement with humanity?

Implication Ideas:

- Israel had this charged and passionate history of the prophetic. We also see this prophetic impulse in the life of Jesus and the early church. How have you experienced the prophetic? What does that word mean to you? Do you think of yourself as a prophetic voice filled with the Spirit under the new covenant?
- Challenge: Invite the Lord to speak to you about some promises you are holding onto?
 Journal how you feel and what you sense him saying. COnsider all this in light of the OT narrative we have just followed.