

# CONVERSATION GUIDE

## Middle-High School

DATE: 2/14/21

LESSON: Perception and Imaginary Enemies

### INTRO

*This conversation guide exists to help parents interact with their middle and high school students. Our goal is to help them transition toward being adults, but most middle and high school students still need some translation and help connecting what we're learning on Sundays to their lives.*

- **Ice Breakers:**
  - Do you typically see other people in a generally positive or negative light?
  - Do you know anyone who almost always seems to assume the worst about other people? How does it feel to be around them?
  - Can you imagine the world if there were no false perceptions, everyone only believed what was true about each other? What might that world look like? What would be different from the world we currently live in?
- **Sermon Discussion:** What is something that stood out to you from this sermon?
  - **Read Genesis 3:1-5.** Why do you think we so naturally question and assume other people's motives?
    - What are some potential problems when we only operate out of our perception of other people?
  - **Read Job 36:13** How can you take steps to combat this in your own life?
    - What can you do to respond when other people make incorrect assumptions about you?
- **Parent Share:** Give an example where you created an imaginary enemy in your own life? How did it end up resolving? How do you bring God's grace and truth into those situations?

