WEEK NINE: A MOVEMENT

Christianity is a movement started by and centered on Jesus. It is not about isolation, compartmentalizing faith, buildings, or merely institutions. A relationship with Jesus is not boring, selfish, or lived on our terms. Faith is relevant and radical. God works through relationships and living for the Lord is both caught and taught. Hearts, families, communities, and nations can be transformed by God. Receiving deeply from Jesus leads us to an overflow that cannot be contained. Jesus is building His church in an unstoppable way.

OPENING QUESTION
How did it go as you shared the gospel last week?

READ
John 4:1-38

Jesus loves people from all nations and cultures. Jesus loves people who the culture rejects. Jesus brings living water to every thirsty soul. The woman at the well reaches her community while the disciples do not understand the harvest. When you taste the most satisfying relationship in life, you want others to experience the same joy. Jesus wants us to open our eyes to the awakening He wants to bring. Repentance, love, and truth are essential ingredients. No one expected a revival to start with a broken Samaritan. God often starts bonfires on the fringe and in unexpected places through unlikely people.

REFLECT
John 4:1-38

WHO IS GOD?

WHAT HAS GOD DONE?

WHO ARE WE?

HOW DO WE LIVE?

REPENT
How much do you care about the unchurched and de-churched people God has placed in your world? Do you believe that God wants to bring a harvest where you live, work, learn, and play? What part are you led to play in the movement Jesus leads? Spend some time thinking about how you can pray, send, go, and bless other nations. God often births plans and assignments that are far beyond our expectations when we make ourselves truly available to Him.

RESPOND
MIND: What are some examples in the Bible of the powerful movement that Jesus brings? (Acts 13:48-52)

HEART: How does this passage encourage you? (Revelation 5:6-12)

HANDS: Write down some of your dreams for what God can do in our church, the Sound, and the nations then share them with someone. (Ephesians 3:20-21)

PRAYER
Intercede for Alpha, the prison ministry, our international partners, and the nearly two billion people around the world who have not heard the gospel yet. (Luke 24:44-53)