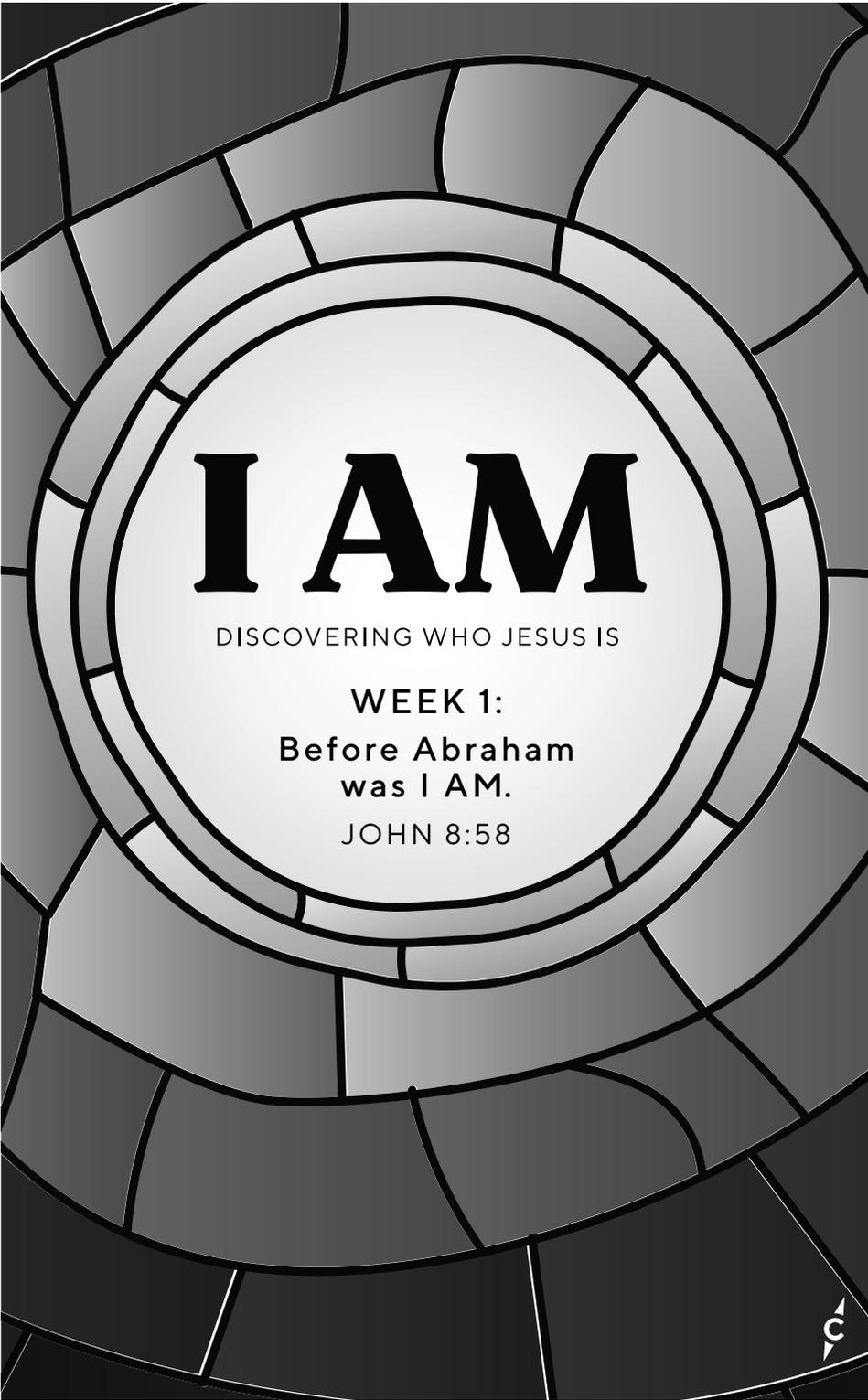


NOTES & QUOTES

A large, stylized graphic of a stained glass window with a circular center. The window is composed of various shades of gray and black, with white outlines for the panes. The central circle is the lightest shade, and the text is centered within it.

# I AM

DISCOVERING WHO JESUS IS

**WEEK 1:**  
**Before Abraham**  
**was I AM.**

JOHN 8:58

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## CONNECT (BUILD RELATIONSHIPS)

1. If someone were to ask you the question, “who are you?”, how would you answer using only three words? “I am \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e., creative, loyal, inquisitive).
2. Have you had any memorable job interviews, for good or bad reasons? What advice would you give someone involved in a job search or going for an interview?
3. Do you plan to do anything different in your faith routine or practice during Lent? What would you like to ask God for as you begin the journey towards Easter?

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## THRIVE (EXPLORE BIBLICAL TRUTH)

4. Read John 8:12-59. In verses 12-20, what does Jesus reveal concerning his identity, and what is the significance of his claims?
5. In verses 21-30, what do we learn regarding Jesus’ mission and our condition?
6. As Jesus described himself to the Pharisees, they were confused regarding who he said he was. What do you feel the source of their confusion was? Do you think people have a similar confusion today?

7. Why do Jesus’ words, “before Abraham was born, I am!” (v, 58) cause such a violent response from the Pharisees? What is he claiming?

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## COMMIT (BE ON MISSION)

8. If someone were to ask you who Jesus is, how would you describe him? What do you think is critical that people know about Jesus?
9. How could the knowledge that Jesus is “I AM” change the way we approach him in prayer?
10. What is one way you could show others a glimpse of who Jesus is this week? Finish this sentence: “I will be a light in the darkness this week by choosing to \_\_\_\_\_.”

### PAUSE, PONDER & PRAY

“Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM.”

JOHN 8:58