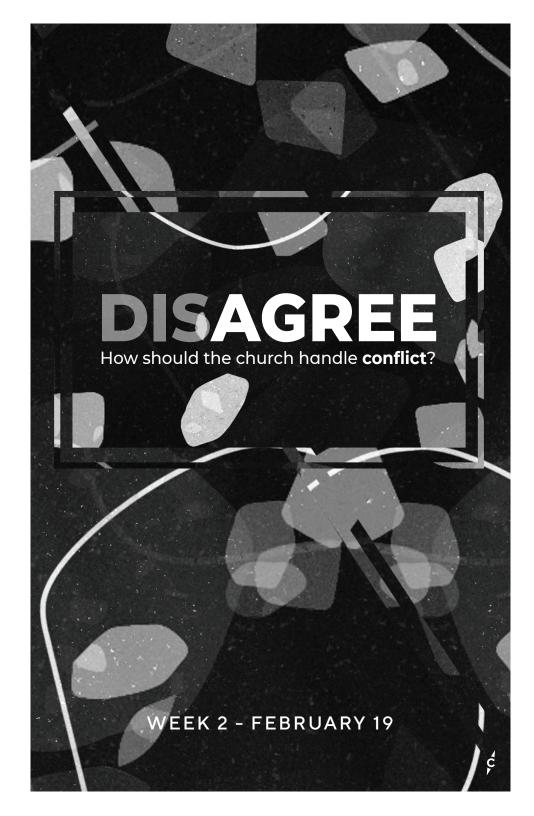
PAUSE, PONDER & PRAY

"There are many doctrines of a less essential nature with regard to which even the most sincere children of God... are and have been divided for many ages. In these we may think and let think; we may 'agree to disagree." JOHN WESLEY

"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God." ROMANS 15:5-7

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CONNECT (BUILD RELATIONSHIPS)

- "Agreeing to disagree" is a term loaded with wisdom. What are some other favourite colloquialisms, wise or not, that people use and what do they mean? (i.e., "there's more than one way to skin a cat, those weeds are not going to pick themselves, that dog don't hunt").
- 2. Why do you think God created us with such diversity and allows for disagreement, yet puts emphasis on unity, especially for those who follow him? Do you think there will still be differences of opinion in heaven?
- 3. What is the difference between being committed to a church because of covenant rather than just agreement?

THRIVE (EXPLORE BIBLICAL TRUTH)

- 4. Read Romans 14:1-12. Explain the "disputable matters" Paul told them to stop quarrelling over. What might be a modern equivalent?
- 5. How should a fellow believer who is weak in the faith be treated?
- 6. Read Romans 14:13–19. What reasons did Paul give for not judging people on disputable matters?

- 7. What consideration should a Christian give to the opinions of fellow believers on controversial matters?
- 8. Read Philippians 4:1-5. How does arguing or fighting with a brother or sister in the Lord disconnect us from each other and from having the mind of Christ?
- 9. How are gentleness and joy an antidote to arguments and strife?
- 10. Read 1 Peter 3:8-9. Here Peter instructs us on how we are to live together in the midst of disagreement. What is the inherited blessing that comes from this calling?

COMMIT (BE ON MISSION)

- 11. Are there current areas of disagreement that you are facing in your life, family, or church? How might the Holy Spirit be using these to bring about growth in your faith and character?
- 12. Most of us like things to be resolved quickly, rather than living in the tension. How willing are you to walk out the sometimes-messy process of disagreement while remaining committed? What help do you need from God?