

<u>The Heart of Change</u> Ezekiel 11

1. God is warning us of the

2. God changes us

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## **MY APPLICATION**

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1. Have you ever gone through a renovation project (at home, work)? What was the process like: easy, hard, somewhere in between? What did you learn through it?
- 2. Read Ezekiel 11:1-15. God charges leaders in Jerusalem (and the people) with not obeying his commands and conforming to the practices of the nations around them. Why do you think they didn't repent and ask for God's forgiveness? Why did God have to bring judgement and exile?
- 3. Read Ezekiel 11:16-21. God commits to three things he's going to do to bring about change in his people: his presence, bringing them back to the promised land, and giving them a new heart. Share a time in your life when one of God's promises brought about change in you. Share about a time when your "hard heart" got the better of you. What was the circumstance and outcome?
- 4. As you look at your own life, can you identify any places where God is working to bring about greater obedience? Are there any ways your life looks like the culture around you?

## **Memory Verse**

I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh. Then they will follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. They will be my people, and I will be their God.