WEEK 3
SMALL GROUP GUIDE

THIS SERIES

"We're meant to be." It's how all of our favorite movies, songs, and books talk about love—as if the secret to an amazing relationship is a little bit of destiny, a whole bunch of feelings, and a tiny dash of magic. So it makes sense, when we observe the not-so-perfect, real-life relationships modeled by our friends, parents, and favorite celebrities, that we might start to wonder, “Wait—is *that* how relationships are meant to be?” In this 4-week series, you'll give students a better lens for evaluating their current and future dating relationships as you help them see that the secret to a relationship that's "meant to be" is to **stay close to Jesus, date with purpose, know who you're looking for,** and **keep sex in the right context.**

THIS WEEK

THE BIG IDEA

Dating on purpose means
you know who you’re looking for.

THE BIBLE

II Corinthians 6:14-15
Proverbs 1:5, 3:1-35

- **Do you believe everyone has one "soul mate"? Why or why not?**
- **How do you decide whether or not you're attracted to someone?**
- **How do you decide whether or not you might like to date someone?**
- **Have you ever dated someone who didn't share your faith? What happened?**
- **Read Proverbs 3:1-35. List 10 qualities or behaviors you should look for in a partner.**
- **Which of these qualities do you have? Which do you need to develop?**
- **Which do you think is the most difficult to find: someone who is compatible with you spiritually, intellectually, emotionally, socially, or physically? Why?**
- **Which of those five areas is most important to you? What about least? Why?**
- **What is your biggest worry or question about breaking up with someone?**
- **What's your next step toward identifying the person you're looking for? What about becoming the kind of person someone else might be looking for?**

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