

PAUSE, PONDER & PRAY

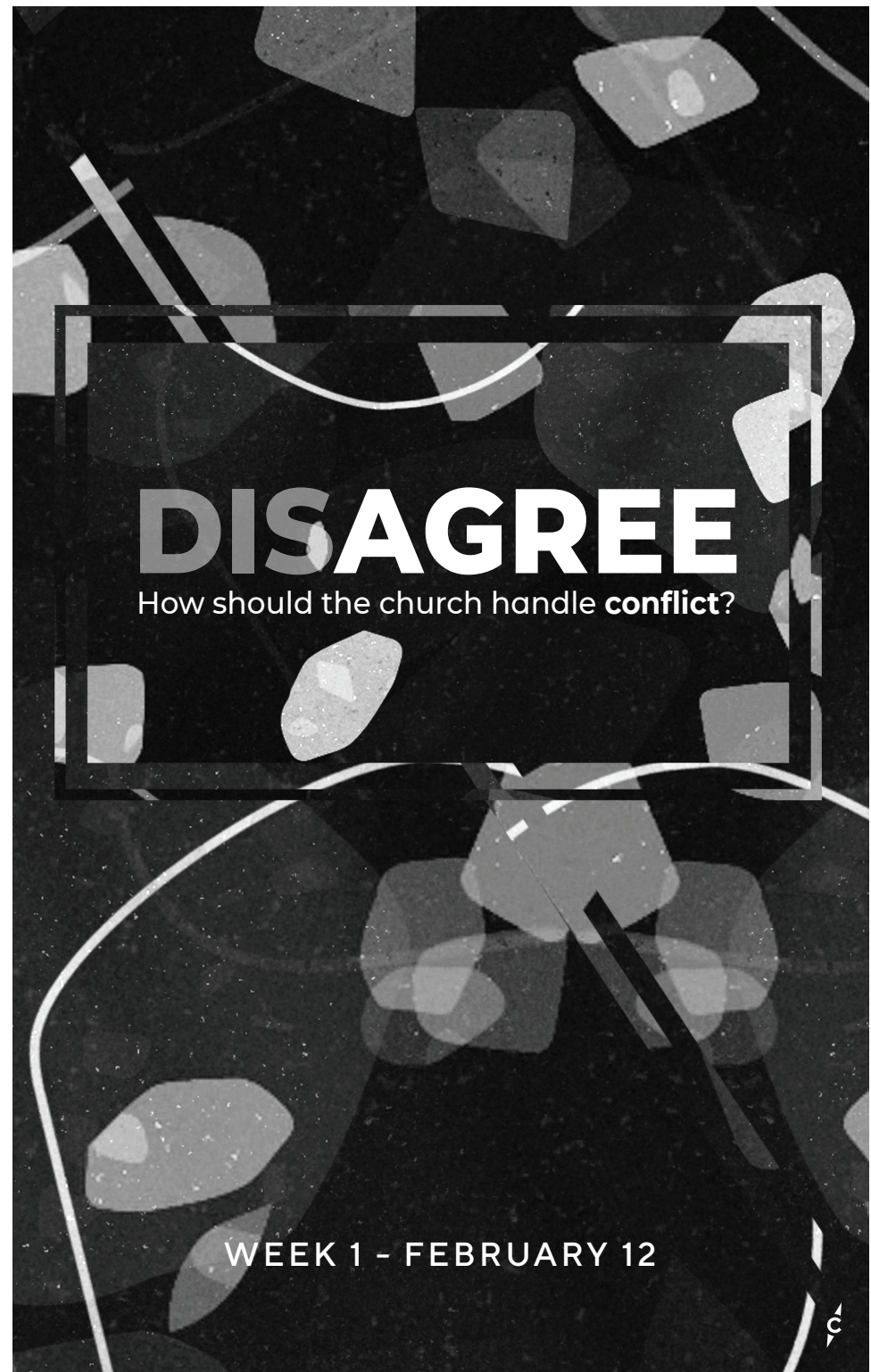
“In essentials, unity; in doubtful matters, liberty;
in all things, charity.” ST. AUGUSTINE

“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit
through the bond of peace.” EPHESIANS 4:3

NOTES & QUOTES

DID YOU MISS SUNDAY'S SERVICE?

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CONNECT (BUILD RELATIONSHIPS)

1. Growing up, what is something that you or your family did or believed that you later discovered not everyone else did or believed?
2. Have you ever changed your mind on a deeply held conviction or practice?
3. Think about the last time you had a healthy disagreement and compare that with a time you experienced an unhealthy one. What was the difference? In the end with both, did anyone change their mind or perspective?

THRIVE (EXPLORE BIBLICAL TRUTH)

4. How has the divisive political and social climate of the past few years impacted your relationships?
5. Read James 1:19-20, Titus 3:2, Proverbs 17:14 and Proverbs 18:2. What do each of these verses reveal about how disagreement can lead to sin and damage our relationships? What safeguards are offered to prevent this?
6. Read Ephesians 4:1-3 and Colossians 3:12-14. How could pursuing the attitudes and actions listed lead to greater freedom and peace between those who disagree?

7. Read John 13:34-35, where Jesus gives a clear guideline on how to love others. What stands out to you? If you lived out this commandment, how could it affect your immediate circle of influence?
8. Read Philippians 2:14-15 and reflect on how this attitude could change the way you interact with others in your family, your workplace, our church, etc.

COMMIT (BE ON MISSION)

9. When it comes to your beliefs and practice of faith, how do you determine what is an absolute, what is a distinctive and what is a preference? Is there any place where you may have mixed up the categories?
10. How could a church with diverse opinions, who modeled how to disagree in a godly manner, be an incredible witness in our community and culture?
11. Talk about some ways you've learned to move toward people who think differently than you while still holding on to your convictions.
12. What are the distinctives and preferences we should be talking about as a church? What would you suggest is a helpful forum and method of having that conversation?