



**Summer Team
Re-entry Workbook**

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*Remember the wonderful works He has done, His wonders,
and the judgments He has pronounced. - Psalm 105:5*

Have you ever had an experience when you thought, "I will never be the same again?" Or had a goal that you resolved you would achieve and never return to your old habits or way of living?

The goal of this workbook is to help you process and steward the things that God did in and through you this summer so that your experience is not just a memory or unique experience, but rather a life-altering episode in your story. Although it had its own set of challenges, your summer experience was a gift that is to be stewarded well. Part of that stewardship is taking time to pause, reflect and remember what God did in and through you. Another aspect is to articulate how that can bring about life-long change in how you relate with Him, with others and with the world.

Note that this workbook is not meant to replace a daily time of reading the Bible and talking with God. Our desire is that you would complete this workbook alongside your normal Bible reading plan.

Here is an overview of the objectives of this booklet and the re-entry process:

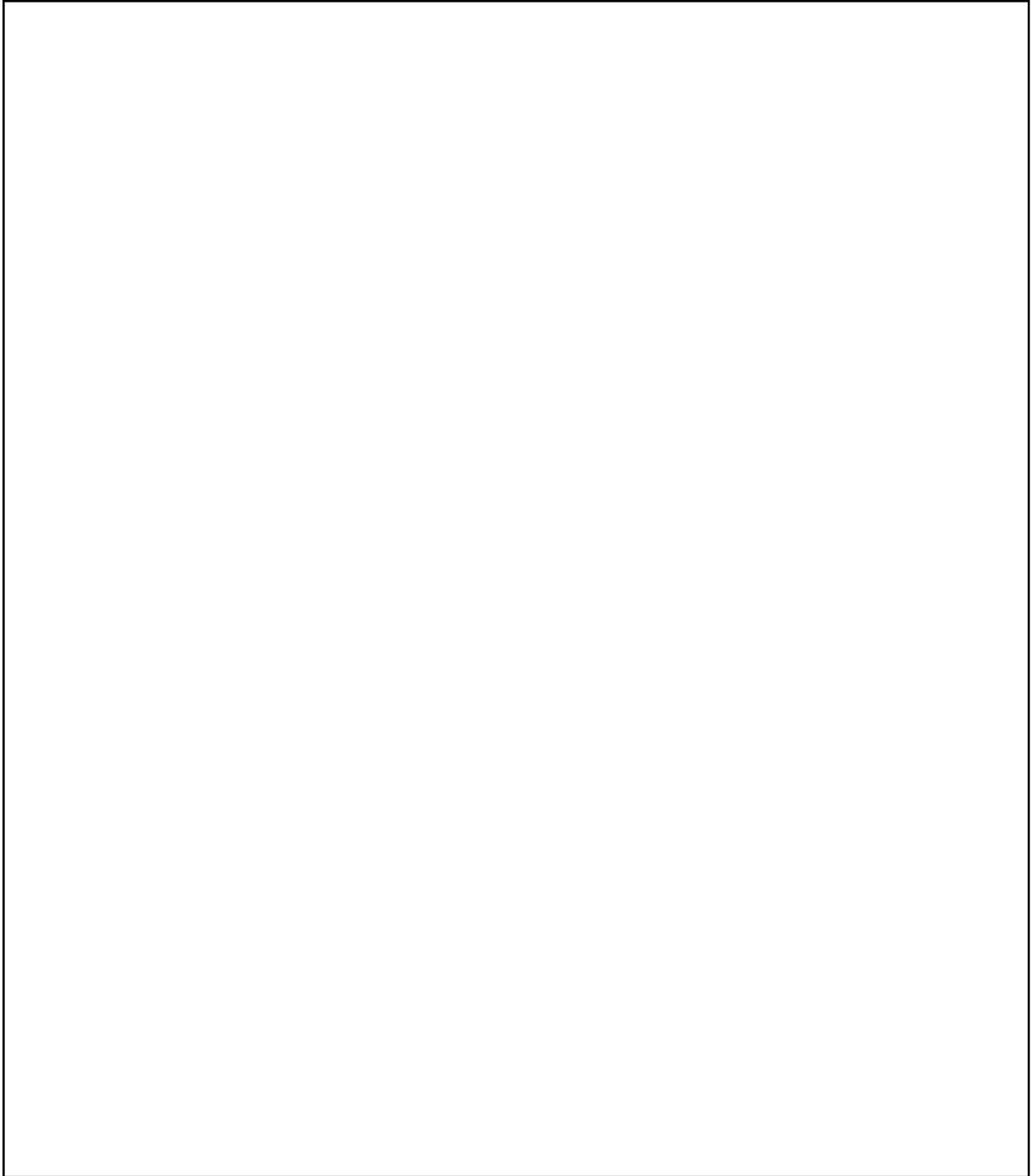
1. *Remember the faithfulness of God.*
2. *Remember your Biblical identity.*
3. *Remember and evaluate your experience and what you learned.*
4. *Consider how to move forward in light of all you have learned and experienced.*

This Re-entry Workbook is comprised of ten sections that are organized into three categories; past, present and future.

1. **Past:** You will reflect on and process the experiences you had in training and overseas.
2. **Present:** You will address the time period from stepping off the plane in the States through the first month of school or your new context.
3. **Future:** You will consider how to move forward in obedience to the Great Commission on campus and after graduation.

You may feel as though you have been to Narnia; through the wardrobe and back. Your experiences may start to take on a dreamlike quality, but the hope is that working through this booklet will help you have a more tangible grasp of your experience and that God will be glorified as you process and move forward.

Use the space below to write a prayer, asking for God's guidance as you work through this booklet in the upcoming days and weeks. You can ask God to help you recall lessons and see your heart clearly and to bring about life-long change through reflection.

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May God be gracious to you and bless you, may He make His face to shine upon you, so that His ways may be known on the earth and His salvation among all nations. - Psalm 67:1-2

Past

Section 1: What Happened?

Remember: *to retain in the memory; keep in mind; remain aware of*

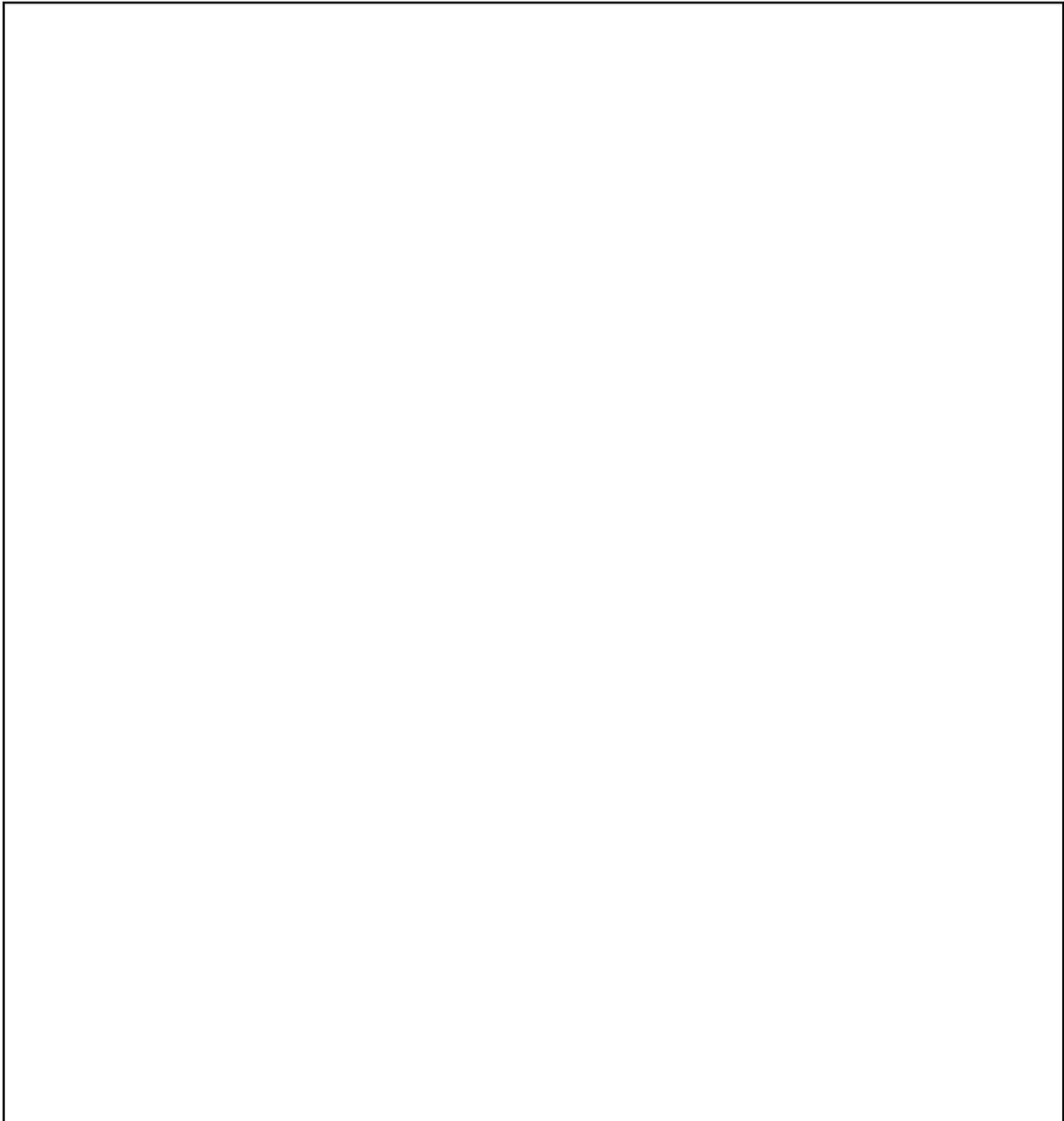
When the apostles returned, they reported to Jesus what they had done. - Luke 9:10a

In the space below, make a list of significant things from your time overseas. It doesn't have to be organized. Write down things that happened to your team, places you went, people you met and anything else significant to you such as a lesson learned or a strong emotion. You may also want to write down anything significant that happened in the States while you were away or in the country where you served (ex. a family crisis, national incident, etc.)

Past

Now that you've made a list of significant happenings, organize them below by following these steps:

1. Organize your list into chronological order. Start by giving your "timeline" a beginning and end and reference points. For example, you may put meeting your team for the first time or arrival at Orientation Week as the beginning and week 1, week 2, etc. as reference points.
2. After creating a timeline, using either different colors or symbols, identify each item as positive, negative or neutral.

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Past

As you look at your timeline, which three experiences do you think will come to mind ten years from now?

Looking back, what expectations did you have going into your summer that were not met or looked very different during the summer?

What was one of the most difficult things to sacrifice this summer?

What was one of the greatest blessings of the summer?

In what ways were you faithful to the task at hand this summer? What regrets do you have (if any) in regards to faithfulness?

In what ways were you able to be a "link in the chain" in your relationships this summer?

What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe – as the Lord has assigned to each his task. I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The man who plants and the man who waters have one purpose, and each will be rewarded according to his own labor. For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. - 1 Corinthians 3:5-9

Section 2: Experiencing Culture

Culture: *the customs, arts, social institutions, and achievements of a particular nation, people, or other social group*

Culture is dynamic, complex, deep and rich. This summer you had the opportunity to scratch the surface of the culture in the country where you spent your summer and the people group(s) you worked among.

Different cultures display various aspects of God's beauty and creativity. Unfortunately, different cultures also display various manifestations of the Fall and of the brokenness that comes with sin. There are often common manifestations of sin among a particular culture (ie. Greed and materialism seem to have a grip in America, caste systems as forms of racism in various countries, etc.).

While overseas, there were probably times when you felt like a fish out of water. You experienced smells, sounds, foods, customs, traditions, worldviews and ways of relating that were different from what you've lived and breathed for your whole life. Some of these experiences were pleasant for you, others maybe not so much.

In preparing to go overseas you were encouraged to be a learner of the culture in your host country. In this section you will have the opportunity to reflect on some of the 'different' things you got to experience and learn from the culture where you were immersed this past summer.

What was the best thing you tasted this summer?

What aspects of the culture did you love this summer?

What breaks your heart, angers or disturbs you about the culture where you served?

What experiences made you feel most like a fish out of water?

Past

What is something you learned from the culture that you want to implement in your life in America?

When you think about the believers you were around this summer (other foreigners and/or locals), what differences did you notice regarding their "Christian culture"? Was there anything you disagreed with or were bothered by? Anything you learned that you want to implement?

After this I looked, and there was a vast multitude from every nation, tribe, people, and language, which no one could number, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.

They were robed in white with palm branches in their hands.

And they cried out in a loud voice: Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb! - Revelation 7:9-10

There will be a day when all of the brokenness of the culture you experienced and of your own culture will be made right and where all the beauty of the culture you encountered will be on full display. Vastly different cultures and cultural expressions will be brought together in worship of the one true Lamb of God.

Section 3: God's Faithfulness

Faithful: *loyal, constant and steadfast*

After leading the Israelites through the Red Sea, Moses' response to God's faithfulness was to break into song, recalling the acts of God that he recently experienced (Exodus 15). After leading the Israelites through the Jordan River, Joshua's response to God's faithfulness was to set up 12 stones as a memorial of what God had done (Joshua 4:20). After erecting the stones Joshua instructs the Israelites with these words:

In the future, when your children ask their fathers, 'What is the meaning of these stones?' you should tell your children, 'Israel crossed the Jordan on dry ground.' For the LORD your God dried up the waters of the Jordan before you until you had crossed over, just as the LORD your God did to the Red Sea, which He dried up before us until we had crossed over. This is so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the LORD's hand is mighty, and so that you may always fear the LORD your God. - Joshua 4:21b-24

Reflecting on God's work in our lives is a powerful tool...it leads us to worship and can help strengthen and build perseverance in our faith. The purpose of this section is for you to reflect on and remember the ways you encountered God's faithfulness through your experience.

A 'God Story' is an event or experience where you see God move in a notable way. God stories cause you to think, 'Wow...only God could have done that!' (Ephesians 3:20-21) What are your top two or three 'God Stories' from this summer? (You may want to look through your Significant Happenings Timeline from the first session).

What were some ways or moments you experienced God's love or presence this summer?

What Scriptures did God use in your life on this trip?

Past

In what ways did God help you grow in the OneLink Values (commitment, integrity, worship, flexibility, trust in God, initiative, servant's heart, team player)? Which value do you think you grew in the most?

In what ways did you personally experience God being faithful (loyal, constant and steadfast)?

In thinking about the ways you saw God work in you and through you this summer, complete the following sentence:

- God is _____.

Although none of you likely walked through the middle of a body of water this summer, you had your own Red Sea or Jordan experiences as you got to see God do powerful things in you, through you and around you. Reflecting on these experiences has hopefully led your heart to worship and has served as a reminder that just like God was loyal, constant and steadfast to you this summer, He will continue to be faithful as you depend on Him in the future.

Past

Section 4: Sin Issues

"It's easier to blame others or to point to their shortcomings than it is to see our flaws and contributions, but God is wanting to meet us in our weaknesses and our brokenness and lovingly grow us. Refusing to see our flaws doesn't lead to growth, or even real happiness, but to longer cycles of hurt among different people." - Brett Yohn

Forgiveness: *the act or process of forgiving (to stop feeling angry or resentful toward an offense) or being forgiven (to have a debt cancelled)*

The stresses of the summer may have brought some of the sin in your heart to the surface. It can be difficult to acknowledge the sin and darkness in our own hearts, yet repentance is a critical aspect of following Jesus and our transformation into Christ-likeness. Therefore, in this section we ask that you examine the flaws in your own character that were revealed this summer, embrace God's grace in revealing our sin to us and receive full forgiveness of those sins in Christ Jesus (Romans 2:4). Praise God that we have been made new in Christ and that we are no longer slaves to sin!

In the box below, write a prayer to God asking him to reveal any sin in your heart that came up over the summer.

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my concerns. See if there is any offensive way in me; lead me in the everlasting way.- Psalm 139:23-24

Past

*If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.- 1 John 1:8-9.*

After asking God to reveal your sin, consider and answer the following:

What 'junk' came to the surface this summer? When you were under pressure, what came out?

When did you respond to situations poorly?

Does this reveal any idols or fleshly tendencies? If so, what are they?

Did you compromise in the area of purity? If so, how?

Did you compromise your integrity? If so, how? (ie. Did you compromise on the communication or buddy system policy? Did you tell any half truths or exaggerate the truth? Did you do the right thing when there were no immediate, negative consequences?)

Past

What do you wish you could change or have done differently as you related to your team members? Do you need to apologize to anyone?

Is there any conflict or tension that you are holding onto that is resulting in bitterness rather than forgiveness? *Read Matthew 6:14-15.*

In light of this section, are there any action steps you need to take to pursue forgiveness or restoration? If so, write down the steps as well as how and when you will complete them.

'Mess up, 'fess up, move on. The glory of the gospel is that we can own up to our sin and move forward knowing that Christ has removed it from us and given us His own righteousness. We proclaim freedom and rest from the tyranny of sin, so let's live in that freedom and rest. Confess to God, confess to your team or community, pray for one another and be healed (James 5:16).

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Jesus Christ, the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. - Romans 8:1-2

Past

Section 5: Relational Issues

Team: *two or more people working together; two or more animals harnessed together to pull a vehicle*

Two are better than one because they have a good reward for their efforts. For if either falls, his companion can lift him up; but pity the one who falls without another to lift him up. Also, if two lie down together, they can keep warm; but how can one person alone keep warm? And if someone overpowers one person, two can resist him. A cord of three strands is not easily broken. - Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Where no oxen are, the manger is clean, but much revenue comes by the strength of an ox. - Proverbs 14:4

This summer you served together with other individuals to work toward a common goal. Hopefully you were able to accomplish more together than you would have been able to individually. If you've ever been on a farm, the stable or modern day shop is really smelly and messy, but it is through the power of animals and machinery that work is accomplished. This summer there may have been some 'messy' moments with your team as well as beautiful moments of picking one another up and working together for the common goal of making Christ known among the nations.

Take a minute to evaluate your team experience. On a scale of 1-5 with "1" being "really poor" and "5" being "really good," rate the following:

- 1 2 3 4 5 Your contribution to team unity.
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your attitude toward team leadership.
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your agreement with team direction.
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your words to others on the team regarding the team itself or individuals.
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your acceptance of your role and others' roles on the team.
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your response when you were hurt by a teammate.
- 1 2 3 4 5 Your expectations about staying connected to teammates after the trip.

Past

As you think about relationships with your teammates, hosts and nationals, consider the following questions:

What do you think went well relationally this summer?

What do you think did *not* go well relationally this summer?

When did you feel sinned against by another person?

What, if anything, is still relationally confusing or unresolved?

Is there anything you need to say to the whole team or to a particular team member? Would it be helpful to have a mediator to help resolve some residual conflict?

Past

Section 6: Sin in the Culture

Darkness: *wickedness or evil; lack of spiritual or intellectual enlightenment*

You spent the summer in a culture that, like every culture, exists in perpetual spiritual darkness. When Jesus came to earth and walked among us, he was the Rising Sun coming to us from on high (Luke 1:78). Jesus is the light of the world (Jn. 8:12) and his church members are also light in the darkness (Mt. 5:14). You likely visited a place where darkness has gone largely uninterrupted for centuries. The spiritual darkness in the region where you served probably took on a variety of forms such as opposition, persecution or apathy toward the truth. You may have seen darkness through observing injustices or a way you were personally wronged. The manifestations of darkness in the culture you served and some of the cultural sins you observed may have stirred up a variety of emotions in you.

What was the most challenging part of the trip for you?

When was a time when you felt anxiety, fear, sadness or hopelessness?

When did you feel things were unfair or unjust?

Did you witness or experience an injustice or anything that left you deeply troubled?

In what ways did the darkness in the culture or the effects of the darkness surprise you?

Is there anything that you lament about the summer?

Section 7: Relating to Self & God

Unsettled: *lacking stability, worried and uneasy, liable to change; unpredictable, not yet resolved*

Returning 'home' is a unique experience. At first maybe you couldn't wait to bite into that juicy cheeseburger you had been craving all summer and hug your family, but now that the novelty of returning has worn off you might find yourself feeling a variety of emotions or possibly a lack of emotions. This has potentially impacted how you're relating with yourself, with God and with others.

Just like adapting to your host country this summer was stressful, reentering into life in America is surprisingly stressful. Life in America continued in your absence. Home has changed and you have changed. Just as you adapted to another culture this summer, now you're trying to make sense of your own culture and your life in America. This can be more overwhelming than you may realize and may leave you feeling disoriented or unsettled.

This is known as "re-entry stress." The amount of stress each person struggles with varies and will look different for each individual. For some it may be minor, even unnoticeable. Others may have more difficulty.

Re-entry stress could have any combination of the following characteristics:

- Pain or Disappointment** – You might be disappointed in yourself, your team or in the experience not meeting your expectations. You might be disappointed in how your family and friends have responded to your homecoming.
- Loneliness** – You might feel like no one can relate to you, even your family or close friends, might be missing your team, or could feel isolated or disconnected from God.
- Feeling out of place** – You might be unsure of where you fit in now after having had such a unique experience.
- Detachment** – You might desire to be a spectator rather than a participant in conversations, activities and/or life in general.
- Confusion** – Even common things may create unusual responses or feelings.
- Frustration** – You might feel like no one can understand you because you have changed and do not know how to express it. Perhaps you feel others don't care about what you have experienced or how you have changed.
- Critical Spirit/Anger** – You might feel critical toward America and the American church, feel critical towards your friends who stayed in America for the summer, or feel disgust towards materialism.

Current

- Discontentment – You might desire to be back overseas rather than at home.
- Exhaustion – You might feel drained or overly tired physically and/or emotionally.
- Apathy – You might experience a lack of emotions or feel flat-lined.
- Indecisiveness – Completing simple tasks or making simple decisions might be paralyzing.
- Unmotivated - You might lack drive for school/work/life, potentially feeling those activities lack real purpose or meaning.

Read the list and check (✓) the characteristics that you've experienced since the time of your return. Put a star (★) next to any that you are currently experiencing.

Are there any characteristics or emotions that you've experienced that are not on the list? If so, what are they?

In what ways (if any) are you feeling the most stuck and/or not yourself?

Not only has re-entry affected you emotionally, but it may also be impacting how you relate with God. For some, this summer could have been a mountain-top experience in your relationship with God, and now you may feel like you're in the valley and God may seem distant. For others, maybe you struggled all summer in your relationship with God and are dealing with shame. For some, maybe you started new ways of connecting with God this summer, and you've continued to thrive upon your return.

How has your devotional life changed since returning?

Current

This summer you were surrounded by people who were also striving to seek God individually and corporately. Depending on your situation now, you may feel alone in your pursuit of God. Loneliness and isolation often lead to returning to old sin patterns. Here are some common struggles that students fall into upon return:

- Impurity issues (pornography, masturbation, fantasizing, emotional infatuation, 'going too far' with significant other, etc.)
- Lack of self-control (binging on video games, social media, or video streaming, staying up too late/sleeping in too late, etc.)
- Body image issues (over exercising, unhealthy relationship with food, etc.)
- Emotional issues (anxiety, depression, rage, etc.)
- Laziness
- Insecurity
- Pride

Read the list and check (✓) the struggles that you've experienced since the time of your return. Put a star (★) next to any that you are currently experiencing.

Are there any struggles (sin or otherwise) that you've experienced that are not on the list? If so, what are they?

Transition can often be a time of good training for personal growth and spiritual maturity if we will learn from it. What do you think God might want you to learn from your struggles and how does He want you to engage or 're-engage' life in your current context?

LORD, You have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I stand up; You understand my thoughts from far away. You observe my travels and my rest; You are aware of all my ways. - Psalm 139:1-3

Wherever you are in your experience with re-entry stress, take comfort in knowing that God understands your heart more than you understand it yourself. He knows us intimately and desires to meet us exactly where we are.

Current

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tested in every way as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us at the proper time. - Hebrews 4:15-16

We can also take comfort in knowing that we have a Great High Priest who can sympathize with us in our weaknesses. Jesus is familiar with transition. Like you, He left His home (Heaven) to visit a broken and unfamiliar place (Earth), died and rose again, and made yet another transition back to His home (Heaven). Jesus understands re-entry stress and desires to walk with you through it.

In the box below, approach the throne of grace by writing an honest prayer about your current experience with re-entry. If re-entry has been relatively smooth for you, spend time praising and thanking God for your transition. If re-entry has been more challenging for you, ask God to give you the grace you need to move forward in a healthy way.

*Trust in Him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts before Him.
God is our refuge. - Psalm 62:8*

*Rejoice always! Pray constantly. Give thanks in everything,
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. - I Thessalonians 5:16-18*

Section 8: Relating to the World Around Us

Relationship: *the way in which two or more concepts, objects, or people are connected, or the state of being connected*

Sometimes coming back from an experience overseas can be more difficult than entering into another country and culture. We associate home with being familiar. Wherever we consider home to be, for many of us it is a place of belonging and security. This summer likely shaped you to be at least a little different than when you left, and you may have a new perspective on a number of things. You may find yourself relating to your home culture differently than you did before.

Just as it was critical that you be alert and sober-minded in order to resist the schemes of the enemy before you left for your trip and during your trip, it is just as critical now (1 Peter 5:8-9). We are always a part of a spiritual battle, and the enemy is looking for opportunities to exploit our weaknesses. Below are a few common pitfalls and temptations for those returning from an overseas trip.

- Withdrawing
- Wanting to return overseas immediately
- Becoming critical (of America, your church, your community, 'lukewarm' Christians)
- Forgetting to be curious about others' summers
- Making it about the experience and not about God

Check the boxes of the pitfalls and temptations you've experienced upon return and list any others that are not mentioned above:

How did your experience overseas change you? Do you have a different perspective on anything now than you did before your trip? (ex. culture, church, priorities)

Current

In what ways (if any) have you felt resentment or judgement towards others rise up in you?

What are you most thankful for about your community and church in the States?

As you re-engage your culture and context on campus or elsewhere, how can you move forward in ministry? Is there anything you learned or practiced this summer about evangelism or discipleship that you want to incorporate?

Therefore, God's chosen ones, holy and loved, put on heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, accepting one another and forgiving one another if anyone has a complaint against another. Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive. Above all, put on love - the perfect bond of unity. - Colossians 3:12-14

Future

Section 9: Telling Stories

Stewardship: *the responsible oversight and protection of something considered worth caring for and preserving*

On arriving there, they gathered the church together and reported all that God had done through them and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles. - Acts 14:27

The LORD is faithful throughout all generations, and He was faithful during your time overseas. As you have returned to the States and are going back to school or entering the workforce, telling stories that communicate to others the faithfulness of God can be a key way to steward the experience you gained.

The questions in this section are meant to help you think of some stories that you might want to share with family, friends, supporters (financial and prayer) and others. Your time overseas, no matter how difficult it may have been, is a gift from God that is now yours to manage for His glory and Kingdom. Spending some time thinking through how God was faithful, what He taught you and scripture that was significant to you during your trip can go a long way in effectively communicating to other people about your trip and ultimately about God's redemptive plan for all peoples. We want to do this well in order to give glory to God and to help other people gain vision for the world and take steps toward participating in the Great Commission.

In the box below, write down a prayer asking God to bring to mind what He would have you share about the summer. Ask for a spirit of humility and gratitude as you look to share with others about your trip.

Think back to the first section of this booklet when you reflected on what happened over the summer.

Refer back to Section 3 page 10 and find the "God stories" you referenced. Who is someone you want to share these with?

Future

Which friends from this summer do you want to tell others about? Which significant interactions with local people do you want to tell others about? (Be mindful of security if you are sharing in a public context, for example sharing with a large group at a church.)

Which scriptures “came alive” to you over the summer or did the Lord use in your life or in the lives of those around you? Who is someone you want to share these with?

What are some funny stories from the summer?

List three strong adjectives that describe your summer that you can share with others when they ask, “How was your trip?” Think of words that might lead them to ask another question. (Avoid words like good, fun, exciting, awesome and think of more creative words like surprising, challenging, life-altering, enlightening, etc.)

Remember that as you think of and tell stories, it can be easy to make the stories about yourself or about the experience instead of about God and what He did. You may also experience some insecurity as you think back about the summer or others’ expectations. Resist the temptation to seek pleasing others or self-glory. Be honest, be humble and seek to glorify God in how you talk and share about the summer.

However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven. - Luke 10:20

Your stories can be powerful tools to share about what God is doing around the world and give other believers a vision for how they can participate in the Great Commission as well. Your stories are worth hearing and will be best told by you.

Future

Section 10: Leveraging your Experience for the Kingdom

Leverage: *use (something) to maximum advantage; Use borrowed capital for (an investment), expecting profits made to be greater than the interest payable*

During December many of us start thinking about how we want the new year to be different from the past. We set resolutions and make fitness goals, spiritual goals, family goals, etc., but by mid-March we often can't remember the goals we set, or we sit in shame feeling defeated. The same is commonly true after a camp, retreat, or conference. You might leave that experience overflowing with vision and determination for change, but vision leaks if it is not constantly filled and change is short-lived.

In describing the Kingdom of God, Jesus used a parable where He described a man who entrusted various amounts of money and possessions to his servants while he left on a journey. Two of the servants intentionally invested what they had been given, while one passively hid the money. The two who intentionally stewarded what they were given saw their investments multiplied, were entrusted with more, and got to share in their master's joy (Matthew 25:14-30).

This year you were given a gift: your summer experience (pre-trip training, financial support, Orientation Week, your team, the friends you made, and the ways God met you). Now you have the opportunity to leverage this experience for the glory of God and the spread of His gospel message, both in your local context as well as globally.

Here are a few ideas of how to leverage your experience, participate in the Great Commission, and bring about lasting change in your daily life and your long term future:

- Evangelize and practice hospitality in your local community
 - Be intentional to share the gospel with anyone and everyone.
 - Reach out to international students. Invite them to your dorm or house, or ask them to come home with you for the holidays.
- Pray
 - Set aside 5-10 minutes each day to pray for an unreached people group (UPG).
 - Joshua Project app, Operation World app, joshuaproject.net, prayercast.com, and IMB Prayer app are great resources to aid you in praying for UPGs.
 - Start a prayer group, or meet monthly with your team to pray for your friends from the summer.
 - Integrate praying for the nations into your campus or church small group.

Future

- **Send**
 - Make sacrifices so that others can go.
 - Give financially to sending organizations and overseas workers. In giving you can participate in the gospel spreading all over the world.
 - Financially support a friend going on a OneLink Trip next year.
 - Stay in touch with your overseas hosts.
 - Sign up for their email updates.
 - Pray for them and send them encouraging notes or emails.
 - Send a care package to them with next year's team.
 - Volunteer at one of the OneLink Orientations.
 - Use your unique gifts and skills (web/graphic design experience, photography, proof-reading updates, etc.) to support, serve, or encourage those who go or sending organizations.

- **Mobilize**
 - Help your Campus Minister recruit students to go on a OneLink trip next year.
 - Look for opportunities to share with others about what God taught you during the summer.
 - Take Perspectives (perspectives.org) and encourage others to take it with you!

- **Go Cross-Culturally**
 - Recruit a team and go on another OneLink trip!
 - Pray about going for a year or two.
 - The Hands On and Journeyman programs are great avenues for serving on a six-month to two-year experience (imb.org/students).
 - Consider attending the OneLink Connections Meeting in January.
 - Pray about living in a different culture long-term (imb.org/go).

- **Foster Connections**
 - Set a daily alarm on your phone to pray for the people group you visited.
 - Display a Bible verse or item that reminds you of the nations.
 - Create a scrapbook or video that encapsulates your overseas experience.

Hopefully these suggestions can be a springboard for thinking about how you can intentionally steward what you have been entrusted with. Now you face the decision, how can you invest this gift? Lasting change does not happen without determination, a plan and some accountability.

Future

What are 2-3 action steps you want to take to leverage your experience to participate in the Great Commission? (Feel free to use the suggestions above but don't feel limited by them.)

Who will you ask to keep you accountable to these steps? What will that accountability look like?

Who are two or three people you can share your experiences with and encourage to consider a OneLink trip next summer? How are you going to commit to praying for them?

In what ways do you want your life to look different a year from now in light of your summer experience? Five years from now?

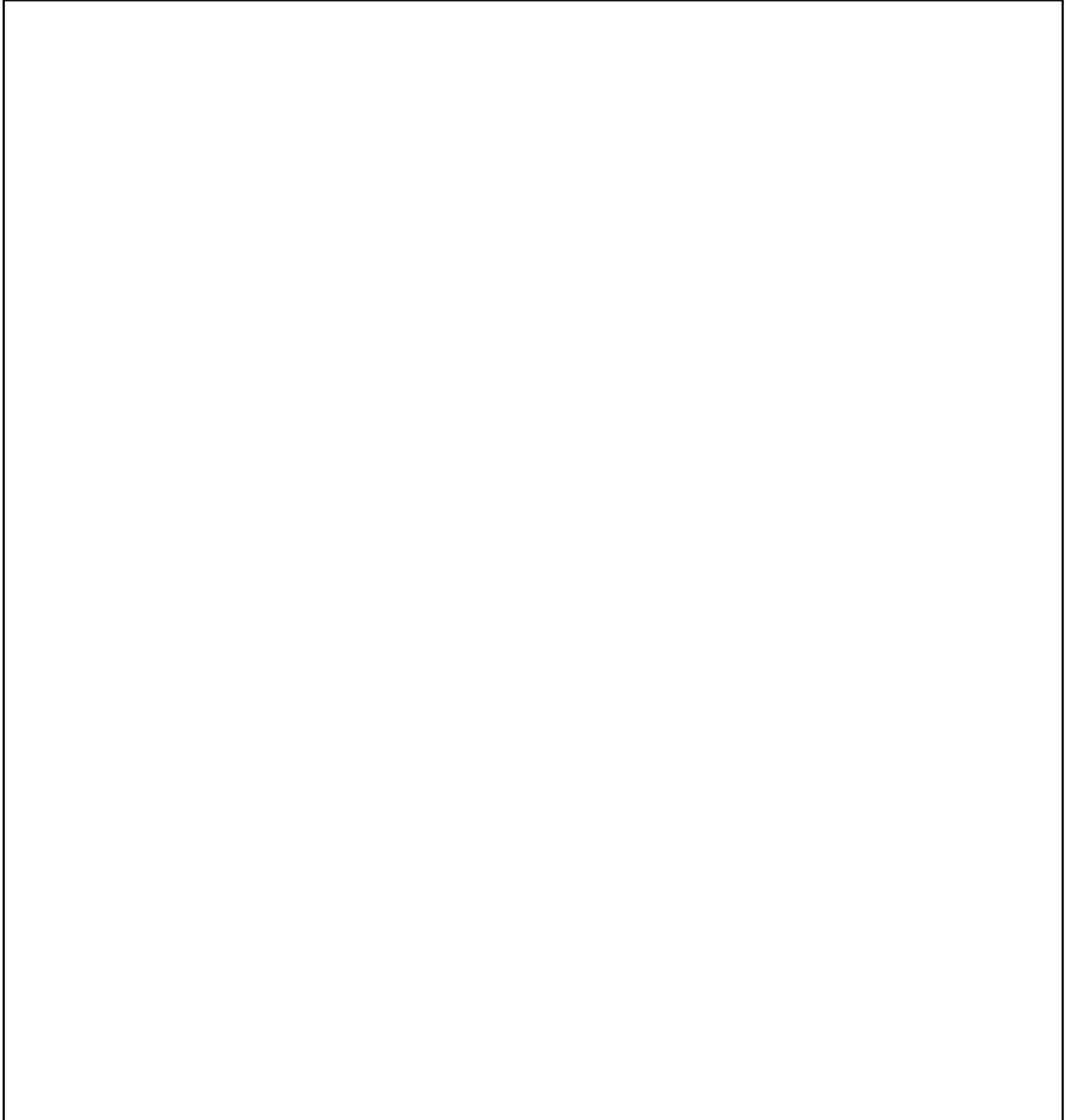
What might it take to bring about this desired outcome for your life?

Then Jesus came near and said to them, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." - Matthew 28:18-20

Future

Just as you were sent out by your church or campus ministry and commissioned at Orientation, you are again being sent out to be used by God in your current context and to continue to influence the nations. Remember you are not going alone... He is with you, and it is only through His power that lasting change will occur.

In completion of this Re-entry Workbook, write a prayer asking for the Spirit's help to bring about lasting change in your life in light of all that you have experienced this past year.

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