

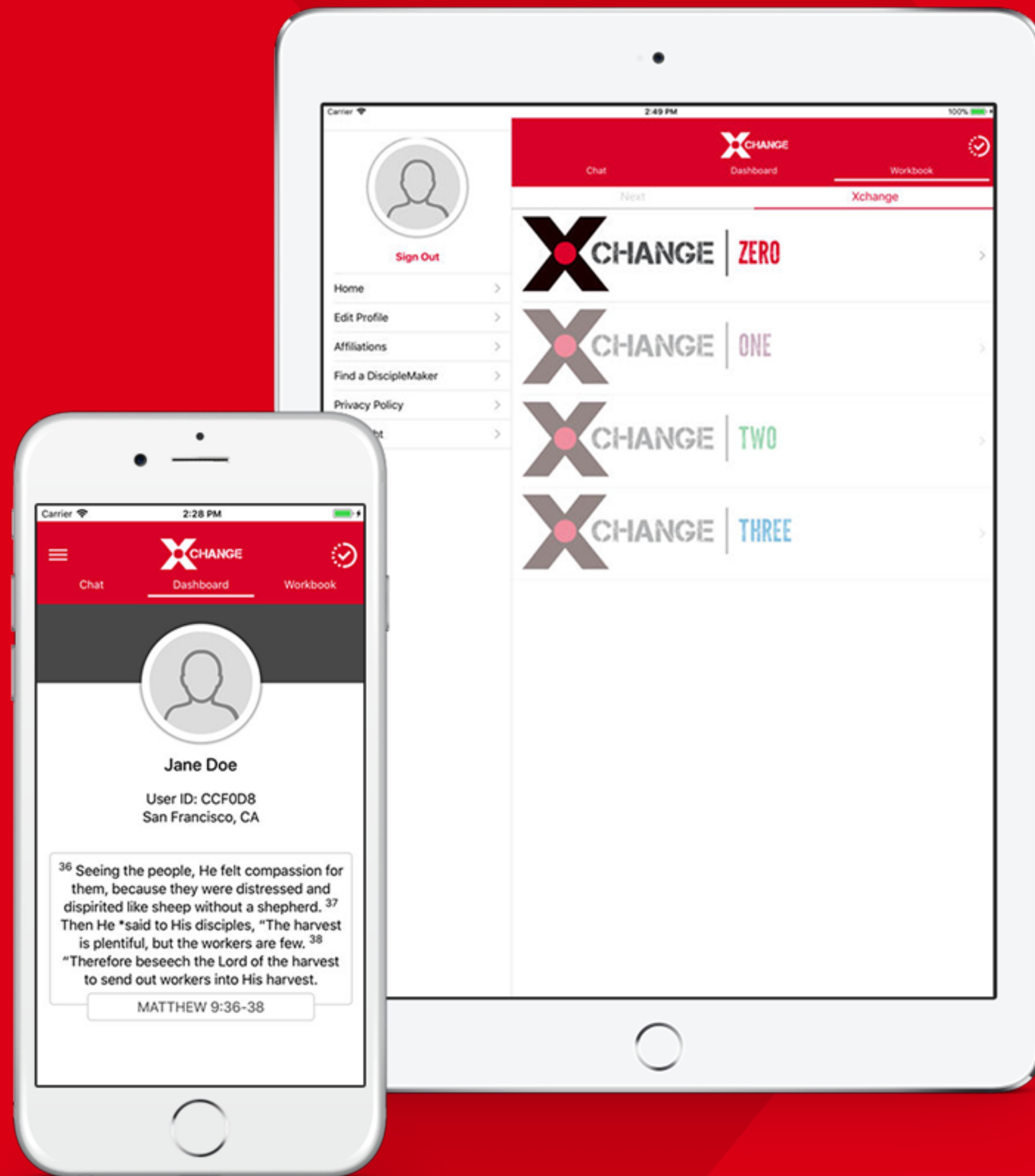


# NEXT

*ESSENTIAL STEPS FOR A DEEPER FAITH*



# RESOURCES



# **Two Ordinances**

## **COMMUNION**

## **BAPTISM**



# **BAPTISM**

***WEEK SIX: WHY BAPTISM IS A BIG DEAL***

**JOHN 2:23-3:6**



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.

MATTHEW 28:19



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**BAPTISM**

**IS GOD'S WAY OF  
CELEBRATING.**

# THE FIRST AFRICAN EVER SAVED!

“SEE, HERE IS WATER! WHAT PREVENTS ME FROM BEING BAPTIZED?” THEY BOTH WENT DOWN INTO THE WATER ...AND HE BAPTIZED HIM.

ACTS 8:26- 40

# WHAT IS BAPTISM?

## 1 BAPTISM IS A CELEBRATION

ALL WHO BELIEVED ON HIS NAME HE GAVE THE RIGHT TO BECOME THE CHILDREN OF GOD. JOHN 1:12

WHEN ALL THE PEOPLE WERE BAPTIZED, AND WHEN JESUS ALSO HAD BEEN BAPTIZED AND WAS PRAYING, THE HEAVENS WERE OPENED, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT DESCENDED ON HIM IN BODILY FORM, LIKE A DOVE; AND A VOICE CAME FROM HEAVEN, "YOU ARE MY BELOVED SON; WITH YOU I AM WELL PLEASED. LUKE 3:21-22

## 2 BAPTISM IS A PUBLIC STEP OF OBEDIENCE

I AM NOT ASHAMED, BECAUSE I KNOW WHOM I HAVE BELIEVED. 2 TIMOTHY 1:2

## 3 BAPTISM IS BEING TOTALLY IMMERSSED

I HAVE A BAPTISM TO BE BAPTIZED WITH (SUFFERING ON THE CROSS). LUKE 12:50

## Q: WHY ARE SOME PEOPLE SPRINKLED?

ALL WERE BAPTIZED INTO MOSES IN THE CLOUD AND IN THE SEA." 1 COR. 10:2



# WHAT IS THE MEANING OF **BAPTISM?**

**1 BAPTISM REFERS TO THE PAST**  
IN THE DAYS OF NOAH - 1 PETER 3:21

**2 BAPTISM RECALLS A PRINCIPLE**  
THE MESSIAH IS GATHERING HIS PEOPLE FROM THIS WORLD, "ONLY 8 PEOPLE WERE BROUGHT SAFELY THROUGH THE WATER." - 1 PETER 3:21

**3 BAPTISM SYMBOLIZES RESURRECTION POWER**  
THE POWER TO GIVE NEW LIFE "A CLEAR CONSCIENCE THROUGH THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS." 1 PETER 3:21

**Q: WHAT ABOUT INFANT BAPTISM?**  
HE (THE PHILIPPIANS JAILER) WAS BAPTIZED AT ONCE, HE AND ALL HIS FAMILY. ACTS 16:31

\* Should I Get Soaking Wet? - 1 Peter 3:20-21 - Skip Heitzig



# WHY SHOULD I BE BAPTIZED?

## 1 IMITATION

JESUS ALSO HAD BEEN BAPTIZED. LUKE 3:21-22

## 2 INSTRUCTION

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. MATT. 28:19

## 3 IDENTIFICATION

WE WERE BURIED THEREFORE WITH HIM BY BAPTISM INTO DEATH, IN ORDER THAT, JUST AS CHRIST WAS RAISED FROM THE DEAD BY THE GLORY OF THE FATHER, WE TOO MIGHT WALK IN NEWNESS OF LIFE. ROMANS 6:3-4

## Q: DOES BAPTISM SAVE YOU?

REPENT AND BE BAPTIZED EVERY ONE OF YOU ... FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF YOUR SINS. ACTS 2:38

\* Should I Get Soaking Wet? - 1 Peter 3:20-21 - Skip Heitzig

**YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE  
BAPTIZED TO BE SAVED.**

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**YOU HAVE TO BE SAVED  
TO BE BAPTIZED!**

# GOALS FOR NEXT

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## 1 TO GET BACK TO BASICS

THEY DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE APOSTLES' TEACHING AND THE FELLOWSHIP, TO THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND THE PRAYERS. - ACTS 2:42

## 2 TO PREPARE YOU TO TEACH OTHERS

GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES...TEACHING THEM. - MATT. 28:18-19

## 3 TO ENCOURAGE DISCIPLESHIP RELATIONSHIPS

TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE! - ECC. 4:9



**WE CELEBRATE**

**WHEN *DISCIPLES*  
*MAKE DISCIPLES***





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## The Gospel

How can I know for sure I'm saved and will go to heaven? What is the good news about Jesus?

**TODAY, I  
DECIDED  
TO FOLLOW  
JESUS!**

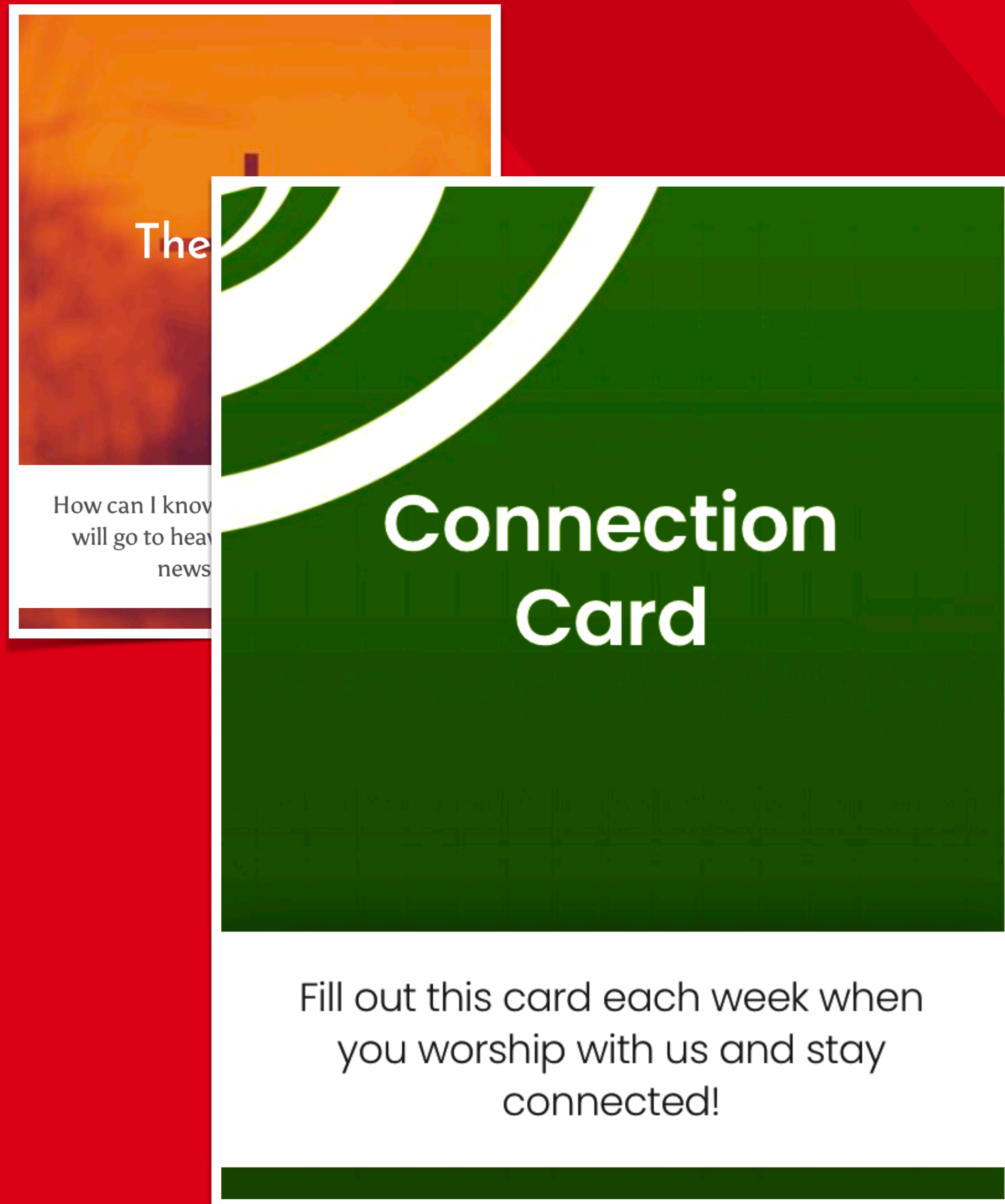


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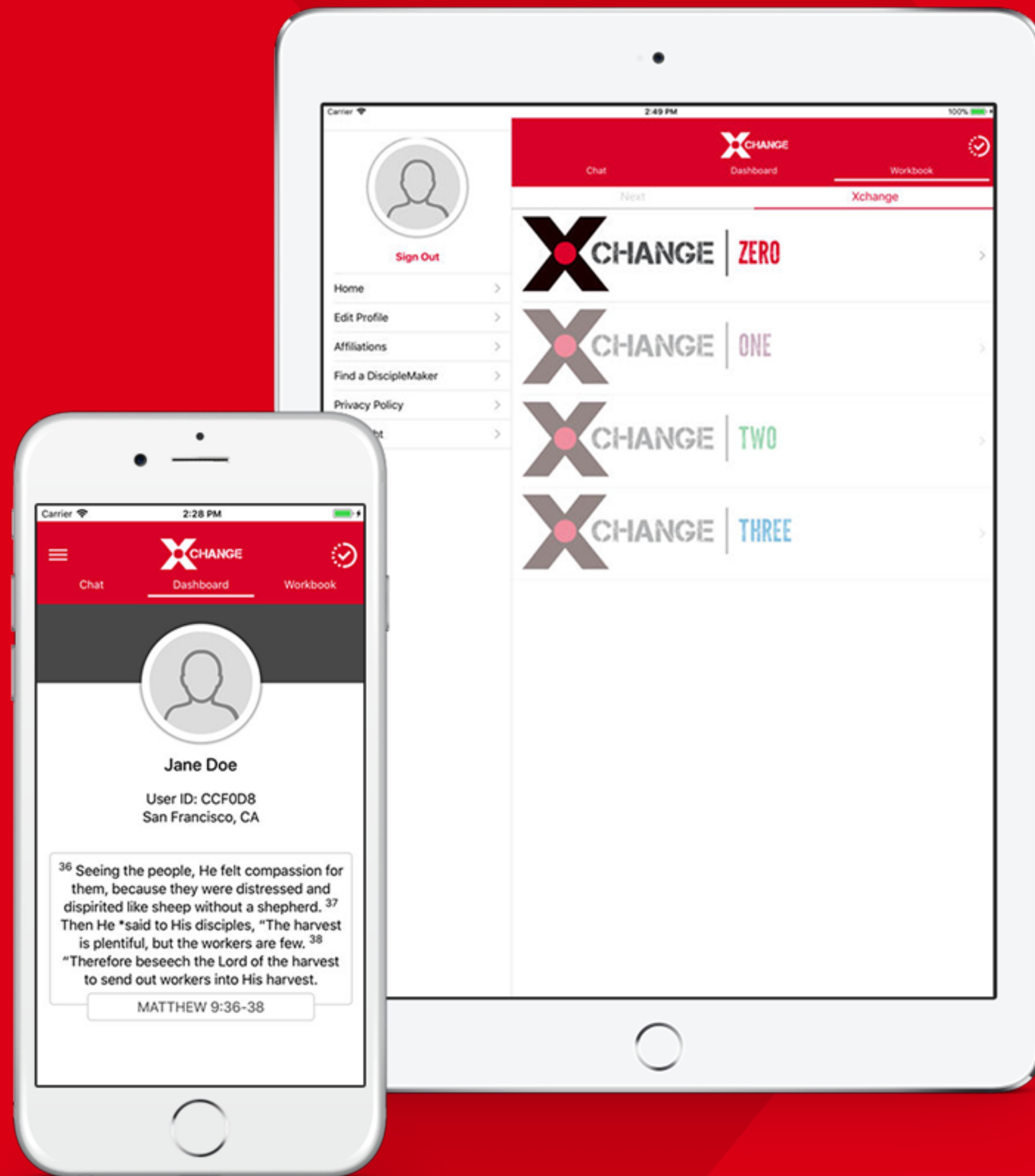
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BE DISCIPLED!**





# RESOURCES





# CHURCH

*WEEK SEVEN: STOP GOING TO CHURCH*