

# One Nation Under God?

Week 1

*I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic, for which it stands, One Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.*

**We are not just Americans; we are ambassadors from Heaven.**

...and [God] has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us...

2 Corinthians 5:19-20

As Christ's ambassador...

- You were not elected by people but chosen and appointed by God!

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last...

John 15:16

- You are not a regular person; you are a royal priest of God.

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may

declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

1 Peter 2:9

- You never represent yourself. You always represent Christ.

Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

1 Peter 2:12

## Group Questions

Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-20. What would be on the resume of an ambassador for Christ?

Have you ever felt like a light in a dark place? Do you have a story you could share?

What's one thing that would make you a better representative of Christ? How will you put it into action this week?