



There are women in the Bible tucked into the shadows of Jesus' lineage. Each narrative is dark and uncomfortable yet offers glimmers of The Light that was to come. We begin advent with the story of Tamar.

- Open with prayer.
- If your groups is new, give everyone time to introduce themselves.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

- What's one thing you're looking forward to in the future?
- Share something new or a highlight from this past week.

REVIEW

Open your Bibles and read from **Genesis 38:1-26**.

- Share your favourite points from the weekend sermon. What spoke to you?
- Share a phrase or moment that you related to the most, or a question you may have from the weekend.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What interests you most about the story of Tamar and Judah?
- Why do you think Tamar is included in Jesus' genealogy?
- What were Judah's sins? Why does he consider Tamar more righteous than himself?
- Have you ever been in a situation where you were unjustly treated? What happened, and how did you feel about it?
- How can we live in this broken world and also live a life that honours God?
- When have you felt confined by unjust circumstances that you can't control in your life?
- Where have you seen shalom or peace in unexpected places?
- How do these verses apply to your life? What will you do about it?

PRAISE & PRAYER POINTS

Share what God is doing in your life and spend some time praying for each other's prayer requests.