

# JESUS IS THE TRUTH

## + SESSION OUTLINE

1. We are to resist the powers of the world (Eph. 6:10-17).
2. We are to reject the things of the world (1 John 2:15-17).
3. We are to proclaim Jesus to the world (2 Cor. 4:3-6).

Background Passages: 2 Corinthians 4; Ephesians 6; 1 John 2

## + WHAT WILL MY GROUP LEARN?

Believers are to have nothing to do with the evil powers of the world and their fruit but are to share the one true gospel with the people of the world.

## + HOW WILL MY GROUP SEE CHRIST?

Satan has blinded the eyes of the world to the truth of God, offering false hope in the things of the world while also opposing God through the world's evil systems. Jesus came so that the eyes of the blind might be opened to the truth. All who trust in Him find true hope in God's kingdom.

## + HOW SHOULD MY GROUP RESPOND?

Because the world is opposed to God, we stand against the world's evil systems, rejecting anything that is contrary to God's truth and good design.

# GROUP TIME

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## SCRIPTURE HANDOUT

Scan this QR code for a reproducible handout of this session's Scripture passages.

## INTRODUCTION

**SETTING:** The world will say truth is one thing and Jesus will say truth is another. Jesus taught that He is the truth (John 14:6) and that His Word is truth (John 17:17). But the world and Satan's forces will try to tempt us toward their false truths. As disciples of Christ, we are to resist these temptations by holding onto the truth of God, living and proclaiming the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

**INSTRUCT:** Play the game "Two Truths and a Lie." Pass out index cards and ask group members to provide two true statements and one false statement about themselves. Then read the individual cards and guide group members to guess which statements are true and which statement is false.

**DISCUSS: How do you determine what is true and false?** (be an eyewitness of it; research the answer; hear from many other eyewitnesses or people you trust; search for evidential proof)

**TRANSITION:** In contrast to Jesus, who is the truth and speaks the truth, the world is opposed to the truth. The powers of the world—led by Satan—are opposed to God and His followers (Eph. 6:10-17). The things of the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride in one's possessions—do not come from God (1 John 2:15-17). The people in the world—those who are perishing—are blind to the truth of the gospel (2 Cor. 4:3-6). Therefore, Christians are called to live the truth and share the truth by resisting the powers of the world, rejecting the things of the world, and proclaiming Jesus to the world.

**OPTIONAL QUESTION: What are some common lies that Christians are tempted to believe?** ("God doesn't love me" when times are hard; "church attendance isn't that important" when we are busy or tired; "this sin isn't THAT bad" when tempted to give in to sinful desires)

# POINT 1

## WE ARE TO RESIST THE POWERS OF THE WORLD (EPH. 6:10-17).

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**10** Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. **11** Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. **12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. **13** Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. **14** Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, **15** and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. **16** In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; **17** and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

**READ:** Ask a volunteer to read aloud **Ephesians 6:10-17** from his or her own Bible.

**EXPLAIN:** Use the **VERSES 10-13** commentary to highlight the following point (the **bold** words fill in blanks in the DDG):

While engaging in **battle** against spiritual **enemies**, we must rely on God's **power** to prevail.

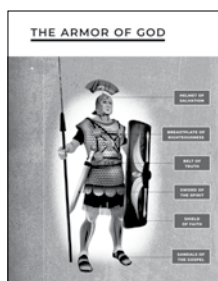
**DISCUSS:** In what areas is Satan currently “attacking” Christians and the church? (the family unit: divorce is common, and raising children to know and follow Jesus is hard; the social pressure to affirm same-sex marriage and the growing LGBTQ+ movement; the existence of God, the inspiration and inerrancy of Scripture, the deity of Jesus, the exclusivity of the gospel are being challenged)

**EXPLAIN:** Use **PACK ITEM 13: THE ARMOR OF GOD** and the **VERSES 14-17** commentary to emphasize the following idea (the **bold** words fill in blanks in the DDG):

God provides spiritual **armor** and a spiritual **weapon** for Christians to stand firm against **Satan** and his followers.

**DISCUSS:** From Day 2 in the DDG: **What are some ways we can use God's armor well on a daily basis?** (read and study the Bible diligently; seek out news and information that is truthful; be intentional with meeting and building relationships with people who need the truth of the gospel; live out justice and righteousness)

**TRANSITION:** Christians can resist the power of Satan and his forces. We merely need to rely on God and His weaponry as we reject the things of this world.



### ARMOR

Body armor was first made of leather, and later metal was added to further protect vital areas. Later, scales of metal were sewn to a leather shirt to enable the soldier to move better. The armor of God can refer to both the idea that it is from God, given to us, and that it is His armor itself, that He shares with us (cf. Isa. 59:17).

## COMMENTARY

**VERSES 10-13** / Paul concluded his letter to the church in Ephesus by addressing spiritual warfare (Eph. 6:10-20). The final paragraph can be divided into three major sections: (1) the need to depend on God while facing spiritual opposition (vv. 10-13), (2) the spiritual armor and weapon necessary to win the spiritual battle (vv. 14-17), and (3) the importance of prayer (vv. 18-20). In the first section, Paul commanded believers to **“be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might”** (v. 10). Spiritual warfare requires supernatural strength, which comes from God alone. Christians should humbly acknowledge their complete dependence on God in the Christian life, and in spiritual warfare in particular.

Not only does spiritual warfare require supernatural strength, but it also requires spiritual armor. Paul commanded believers to **“put on the full armor of God so that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil”** (v. 11). Paul went on to describe the various pieces of spiritual armor and weaponry, but here he simply instructed them to put on the armor. Spiritual strength comes from God, but this reality does not mean Christians are passive. Christians must use the resources God provides to resist Satan and his schemes.

Christians do not struggle **“against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places”** (v. 12). Paul reminded believers that their true enemies were not other people. Instead, Christians engage in spiritual warfare with evil spiritual forces. These spiritual forces—Satan, rulers, authorities, cosmic powers of darkness, and evil, spiritual forces—are opposed to God and determined to attack God’s people. Given the spiritual opposition to God’s people, Paul again exhorted the Ephesians to **“take up the whole armor of God”** and **“to stand firm”** (v. 13).

**VERSES 14-17** / Paul listed the armor necessary to stand against Satan and his forces of darkness. Every piece of armor is essential for spiritual warfare and must be equipped by believers. Paul described each piece in the order a soldier would equip it.

- First, Paul commands Christians to engage in spiritual warfare with **“the belt of truth”** (v. 14). Truth refers to the truth of the gospel as well as the importance of living with honesty and moral integrity. Christians are encouraged to wrap truth around their lives—to embrace the gospel and to live accordingly.
- Second, Paul directs Christians to have **“the breastplate of righteousness”** (v. 14). Christians receive by faith Christ’s righteousness, which serves as the foundation for righteous living.
- Third, Paul instructs Christians to have **“shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace”** (v. 15). Christians receive the gospel by faith, and then they share the gospel with boldness, being ready at all times for opportunities the Lord brings our way.
- Fourth, Paul exhorts Christians to **“take up the shield of faith”** to **“extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one”** (v. 16). As Christians put their faith in God’s power, they can be assured of their identity and security in Christ.
- Fifth, Paul encourages Christians to **“take the helmet of salvation”** (v. 17). Christians have been saved from the penalty and power of sin, and Christians must remind themselves of this glorious reality. They have a “new identity in Christ, which gives believers power for deliverance from the supernatural enemies on the basis of their union with the resurrected and exalted Lord.”<sup>1</sup>
- Finally, Paul tells Christians to pick up **“the sword of the Spirit—which is the word of God”** (v. 17). The Word of God is the Christian’s weapon. By reading it, memorizing it, and meditating on it, Christians can effectively resist the evil powers of the world.

# POINT 2

## WE ARE TO REJECT THE THINGS OF THE WORLD (1 JOHN 2:15-17).

**15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. 17 And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.**

**READ:** Ask a volunteer to read aloud **1 John 2:15-17** from his or her own Bible.

**EXPLAIN:** Use the **VERSE 15** commentary to highlight the following point (*the bold words fill in blanks in the DDG*):

Christians cannot love the **world** and the **Father**; these two are mutually exclusive.

**DISCUSS: How can Christians keep themselves from falling in love with worldly things?** (read the Bible to grow in knowledge and love for God; pray and deepen your relationship with God; attend church consistently; spend time with believers who encourage you to pursue holiness)

**EXPLAIN:** Use the **VERSES 16-17** commentary to emphasize the doctrine that the world—with its fleshly desires, lustful looks, and prideful hearts—is opposed to God (*the bold words fill in blanks in the DDG*):

**KEY DOCTRINE #46: *The World Opposed to God:*** There are times in Scripture where the term “world” refers to more than the physical planet Earth or the collective human population. In many instances, the term refers to an active and **evil** spiritual force that is in direct conflict with God and His kingdom. This evil world force operates under Satan’s control (Eph. 2:2; John 14:30), displaying the same self-centeredness and **deceit** that is found within his character. Christians are called to overcome this world of spiritual evil by **faith** in the Son of God (1 John 5:4-5).

**TRANSITION:** The world is opposed to God and will pass away. The one who knows God and does His will, on the other hand, will remain forever (1 John 2:15-17). Therefore, Christians should devote themselves to sharing the gospel in hopes that unbelievers will forsake the world and come to God through faith in Jesus.

NOTES

### VOICES from CHURCH HISTORY

“Those who seek happiness from [the world] make a wretched and miserable provision for themselves, especially when God calls us to the ineffable glory of eternal life.”<sup>2</sup>

—John Calvin (1509–1564)

## COMMENTARY

**VERSE 15** / John addressed several major themes in his first letter to believers, including the theme of walking in the light. Because God is light (1:5), Christians are called to walk in light and not darkness (1:6-7). One of the ways believers walk in the light is by rejecting the things of the world. Specifically, John instructed his readers not to **“love the world or the things in the world”** (v. 15).

What does John mean by “world”? While John used the term “world” in a positive sense in other writings (see John 3:16, for example), here the usage is negative. World refers to the systems of this present age that are opposed to God as well as the things in the world that dishonor God. To be clear, John is not saying Christians should not love people in the world, souls that need to come to know Jesus as Lord. He is referring to the things of this world that are not eternal.

The reason Christians should not love the world is stated at the end of verse 15: **“If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.”** Christians cannot love the systems of this present age and the Father. These two are mutually exclusive. How can a Christian love the world, which is opposed to God, and God Himself at the same time? No person can serve two masters (cf. Matt. 6:24). Christians must set their affections on God; they must love Him rather than the world.

**VERSES 16-17** / After commanding believers not to love the world, John identified three things in the world that Christians must not love: **“the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life”** (v. 16). These three things constitute **“all that is in the world”** and do not come **“from the Father”** but **“from the world”** (v. 16). The first “thing” in the world to be rejected is the lust of the flesh. “Flesh” does not refer to the body or skin in a strictly literal sense. John used the term in a metaphorical sense to describe the natural or sinful desires of fallen humanity. This

usage is not unique to John. Throughout the Bible, “flesh” is shorthand for the sinful nature of man that is bent toward sin (cf. Rom. 8:1-11; Gal. 5:16-21; 1 Pet. 2:11-12). Christians are called to love God and walk in the power of the Spirit rather than yielding to the sinful desires of the flesh.

The second thing to be rejected in the world is the lust of the eyes. Here John focused on the sinful things that a person sees and desires. The lust of the eyes is “moral shortsightedness that obscures higher and better realities,” or “the moral bankruptcy of the spiritually blind heart.”<sup>3</sup> This lure of the world causes people to focus on the things of the world rather than on God and desiring His kingdom.

The final thing in the world to be rejected is pride in one’s possessions. John was warning against materialism. The unrestrained pursuit of possessions is a worldly endeavor that should be rejected by God’s people.

John concluded this passage by highlighting the folly of loving the things of the world. The world is temporary; it **“is passing away”** and will not last (v. 17). Therefore, Christians would be foolish to set their hearts and affections on the world. Instead, Christians should seek to know God and do His will, since **“whoever does the will of God abides forever”** (v. 17). John was not suggesting Christians earn their salvation by doing God’s will. He was writing to Christians who already placed their faith in Christ, those already cleansed by His blood. He merely was reminding these believers of the value of obeying God’s Word and doing God’s will. As those who knew God and sought to do His will, they would remain forever. This truth would help them continue to resist the things of the world and set their affections on God Himself and God alone.

# POINT 3

## WE ARE TO PROCLAIM JESUS TO THE WORLD

(2 COR. 4:3-6).

**3** And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. **4** In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. **5** For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. **6** For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**READ:** Ask a volunteer to read aloud **2 Corinthians 4:3-6** from his or her own Bible.

**EXPLAIN:** Use the **VERSES 3-4** commentary to highlight the following point (the **bold** words fill in blanks in the DDG):

Unbelievers do not **see** or **understand** the beauty of the **gospel**.

**DISCUSS: In what ways does sin affect a person?** (sin affects every aspect of our lives: our minds, hearts, and hands; it can corrupt us; it makes us blind to truth; it breaks our relationships with others; it plays with our minds and hearts)

**EXPLAIN:** Use the **VERSES 5-6** commentary to emphasize the following idea (the **bold** words fill in blanks in the DDG):

Christians share the **gospel** in hopes that God will open the **eyes** and **hearts** of unbelievers.

**DISCUSS: Why should Christians share the gospel even if many will reject it?** (to obey Jesus's Great Commission [cf. Matt. 28:18-20]; we don't know who will accept or reject it; we're motivated by love; we reflect Jesus's love by sharing the gospel with others; if it's good news, we should naturally want to share it)



## COMMENTARY

**VERSES 3-4** / Paul was committed to preaching the gospel wherever he went (cf. 1 Cor. 2:2; Col. 1:28-29). Yet not everyone responded to the gospel in faith. Paul explained why: the gospel **“is veiled to those who are perishing”** (v. 3). The veil imagery is drawn from the previous section (2 Cor. 3:7-18), where Paul discussed the veil on Moses’s face after receiving the Ten Commandments. Just like Moses had a veil over his face to keep the Israelites from seeing the reflection of God’s glory, unbelievers have a veil over their hearts, keeping them from seeing the truth of the gospel. The veil is removed only when a person trusts Christ (2 Cor. 3:16). Until then, the perishing are unable to see the beauty of Christ.

Paul added another reason that unbelievers do not respond positively to the gospel: **“the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers”** (v. 4). This lowercase “god” refers to Satan, who is a false god, one that prowls around trying to snatch people from God’s hands (1 Pet. 5:8). He has blinded those who wish not to see the truth of Christ and His saving work.

Satan is currently working to blind the minds of unbelievers. His reign is limited and temporary, but until Christ returns, he will continually oppose God and keep unbelievers blind to **“the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God”** (v. 4). Here Paul highlighted the glory of the gospel and the identity of Christ. The gospel—the good news of Jesus’s death and resurrection—is a glorious, life-giving message. If Satan can convince unbelievers that Christ’s death was shameful and pointless and that Christ’s resurrection did not happen, he can keep them trapped in their sin.

Paul wrote that Christ **“is the image of God”** (see also Col. 1:15). Paul doesn’t suggest that Jesus is just a copy or imprint of God; Jesus is God and reveals the love, righteousness, and character of the Father to those with eyes to see.

**VERSES 5-6** / Paul was not deterred by the unbelievers’ blindness nor Satan’s opposition. Paul made sure to note the content of his proclamation was not himself: **“For what we proclaim is not ourselves”** (v. 5). His ministry and preaching were not self-centered. Instead, his ministry and preaching were Christ-centered. He proclaimed **“Jesus Christ as Lord”** (v. 5).

In his first letter to the church of Corinth, Paul wrote to them saying that he did not come with great rhetoric but “decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified” (1 Cor. 2:1-2). The gospel was “of first importance” (15:3). For this reason, Paul resolved to preach Jesus Christ everywhere he went. Paul also told the Corinthian believers that he and his associates were **“your servants for Jesus’ sake”** (2 Cor. 4:5). His ministry was focused on Jesus but directed toward serving others, in this case, the Corinthians.

Paul committed to proclaiming Christ because he knew God is stronger than Satan, the god of this age. Despite Satan’s efforts, God is able to open unbelievers’ eyes to the light of the gospel.

God created light. The God who spoke light into existence (cf. Gen. 1:3) is the same God who **“shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ”** (2 Cor. 4:6). Paul had experienced the “light” of God’s salvation on the road to Damascus (Acts 9:1-18). He knew his experience, although unique, was not exclusive. Others had experienced God’s “light” of salvation through Paul’s proclamation of the gospel. Paul had seen God open many eyes and enable many unbelievers to see the light of the glory of Christ. Therefore, Paul resolved to preach nothing but Christ.



# MY RESPONSE

**PACK ITEM 14: THE DISCIPLE OF JESUS:** Pass out copies of this bookmark to remind your group of the ways disciples of Jesus should respond to Jesus.

Because the world is opposed to God, we stand against the world's evil systems, rejecting anything that is contrary to God's truth and good design.

## HEAD:

Truth matters. In a world that is confused about many things—sexuality, spirituality, identity, and a host of other issues—Christians know the truth. His name is Jesus, and He lived, died, and rose to enable Christians to live truthfully. Moreover, the Word of God is true and helps Christians stay grounded in reality. When the powers of the world and the things of the world seek to pull Christians away, the Bible helps Christians identify and reject what is false to identify and embrace what is true. Christians must cling to truth in a world that has rejected objectivity and universal truth claims.

**How can Christians use the Bible to learn and embody truth?**

## HEART:

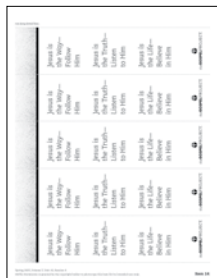
The things of the world often entice believers. The pull to gratify your flesh or your eyes is persistent. The desire to have more constantly resurfaces. In short, the hearts of Christians are not immune from the desires of the flesh, the desires of the eyes, or the pride of possessions. Yet Christians have something more desirable than anything the world has to offer: Jesus! The beauty of Christ and joy of obedience far outweigh the temporary pleasures of the world. By setting our minds and hearts on the glory of Christ, Christians can resist the world's attractions.

**What temptations of this world have you fallen for recently that you need to confess to the Lord?**

## HANDS:

Believers have the joy of knowing their sins are forgiven and their future is secure. These truths should move believers to share the gospel with those who have not experienced God's grace. Satan has "blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ" (2 Cor. 4:4). While Christians are incapable of making unbelievers see, they are responsible for proclaiming Jesus Christ as Lord (v. 5) so God can open unbelievers' eyes and hearts to the truth of the gospel. Only God can open eyes and change hearts, but He uses the faithful sharing of the gospel to do so.

**How can you prepare to share the gospel more clearly and confidently?**



NOTES

### VOICES from THE CHURCH

"We're living in a culture that is seeking what the gospel promises. The times are ripe for Christian witness, and we dare not shrink back."<sup>4</sup>

—D. Scott Hildreth and Steven A. McKinion

# EXTRA

## POINT 1: WE ARE TO RESIST THE POWERS OF THE WORLD (EPH. 6:10-17).

### + COMMENTARY

“Paul exhorts believers to put on the full armor of God in order that they might be able to resist in the evil day and to stand defensively against satanic hosts. This is not about a victory or defeat. It is about holding fast to territory already won by Christ.”<sup>5</sup>

### + ILLUSTRATION

One of the biggest upsets in boxing history was Buster Douglas’s knockout of Mike Tyson in the 10<sup>th</sup> round, winning the match and shocking the boxing world. With the loss of his trainer and his lack of disciplined training leading up to the fight, Tyson entered the ring unprepared.<sup>6</sup>

Likewise, Christians must stand firm against Satan’s attacks, being equipped, trained, and prepared as they rest in Christ’s victory.

## POINT 3: WE ARE TO PROCLAIM JESUS TO THE WORLD (2 COR. 4:3-6).

### + COMMENTARY

“It is the word of the Creator that has created light in Paul’s heart, just as it is the light of the Gospel to which unbelievers are blind. . . . Paul undoubtedly refers to his own experience of conversion here and thus indirectly recounts his vision of the risen Christ. But he only indirectly alludes to this outward vision, for he no longer knows Christ according to the flesh (5:16). His point here is that the word of the Creator alone can create light in the darkness of the human heart.”<sup>7</sup>

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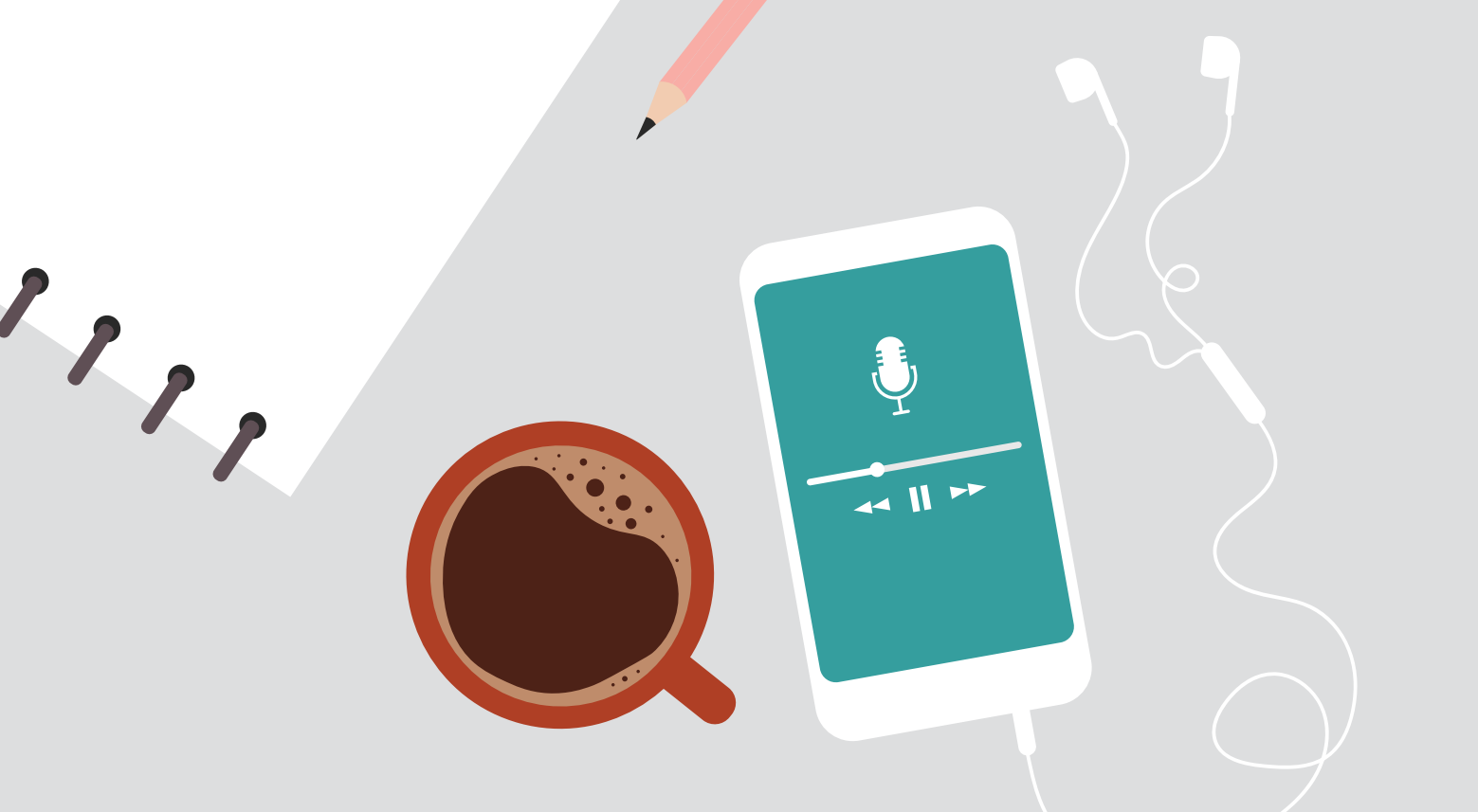
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