

# A WEARY WORLD: Week Four

## BORROWING HOPE

### Sunday:

I am so excited to be introducing the final week with the topic of “Borrowing Hope.” It’s what we have been moving toward as we worked through some very difficult topics the past three weeks. I so agree with how the author approaches the topic of hope with the concept of borrowing from others when we can’t find it on our own. As she writes, “ Sometimes the only things that can sustain us comes from other people or God or an inspiration that helps us take the next breath or the next step, or make it through the next day.” Cory and I have shared a lot of information about honoring the current reality we find ourselves in, practicing honesty, and embracing paradox. If we didn’t end with some tools or strategies to help and encourage those who are struggling right now, then we missed the point. Just in Sunday’s introduction the author says we could try some of the following:

**Admit what we’re really afraid of**

**Seek courage in the small steps**

**Expect hope to hurt**

**Strain to see God, feel God, and hear God whenever we can.**

There’s some great information coming your way this week leading up to Christmas, but for now let’s start with the author’s question for the week on the right:



### Today's Reflection

Question:

*Who or  
What are  
you  
borrowing  
Hope from  
right now?*