



## Everybody Always: Upscale Revolution | August 7, 2019

### Discussion Guide

#### The Scoop

Pinterest isn't just another social app. Pinterest has become something of a movement. Even if you're not on Pinterest, the concepts of Pinterest spill into every part of our lives. The truth is, our faith is actually very similar. Read below to hear more.

#### Key Verses

**2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)**

*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"*

#### Discussion

It's no secret that Pinterest has transformed the way people think about DIY, décor, and remodeling. Before we start most of our house projects, we go to Pinterest for ideas, inspiration and even instruction. It's enabled all of us to feel like we can be not only experts when it comes to redesigning our homes, but also extremely creative as well. A commonly-used "hack" we can find on Pinterest is using old barnwood for things in our homes, like mantles and beams. We take something that was once "out of my commission" with no purpose, and by reusing it, give it new purpose and life.

1. What is one way that you either interact with Pinterest, or see Pinterest's impact on culture and the way we think about repurposing and remodeling?
2. Why do you think we are so excited about the idea of giving old things new life? What about it taps into something deeper that we value as human beings?

God often does a very similar thing in our lives as well. He takes us when we are broken and dirty, and give us new life and purpose. But not only is Pinterest just a social app, where we find ideas, it's also a place where we can display our own creativity to the world. We post and post and post, simply because of how proud we are of our finished products. That's kind of similar to our faith as well. Not only has God restored us, but he also wants us to go and tell the world about it. In his book, "Everybody Always," Bob Goff says that God restores what he creates. God is in the business of taking the things that he's already created, and making them even better.

3. How has God given you new purpose and life? Why do you think God *loves* to do this?
4. What is your response to the way God has restored you? Do you shout it from the rooftops? Are you shy or nervous about sharing? Explain.

In 2 Corinthians 5:17, we read that anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. We have been restored and redeemed. There is no season or situation in which we don't have purpose, or that we are forgotten about. It doesn't matter how dirty, gross, or broken we are. God is in the business of restoration, and he wants that for all who trust in his son, Jesus. But in order to experience this truth, we need to lean into God and his promises. We need to humbly ask him to restore us, and then go share that with the world so that they might know they can also be redeemed.

5. Does it give you hope to know that no one is too broken or dirty for God to redeem and use? Explain.
6. When is a time that you humbly leaned into God to ask for restoration? Is he prompting you to do it again today? Explain.

#### What's Next?

As we finish up this series, we need to think not only about how these truths apply to us, but also about how they apply to others as well and the way that we interact with God's people. If it's true that God restores what he creates, that's true not only for you, but for those around you as well. Consider in your life who needs to see that God has restored you. How do you show others, bring them along, and share with them the hope of being a new creation in Christ?

This week, as you live out and engage your faith, lean into God where you need to be restored and renewed. Then go and share that with the world; God has done something great in you and it's available to them as well.