



# immerse

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## NAVIGATING

## FAITH & CULTURE

### Imagine you're a fifteen year-old exile

trapped in Babylon away from family, the comforts of home, and everything you know to be right. And now you are under the leadership of a narcissistic, maniacal, tyrant.

While your gut reaction may be to rebel, you are reminded that the Sovereign God has chosen you during this national time of crisis to be a bridge. And that your response has the very power to reveal the contrast between a godless culture, and a culture of honor, in an allegiance to God and His Kingdom.

*A **bridge** is a structure built to span physical obstacles by providing an alternate route, for the purpose of providing passage over the obstacle.*

## QUESTIONS

1. What opportunities do you have to be a bridge in your community and how has the gospel informed how you interact?
2. As we consider the kind of church that Detroit needs, what are some things in the culture that we: Must reject? Can receive? Have been called to redeem?
3. In an environment hostile to the gospel, we not only need God's favor, we need the support of other believers. Daniel needed community and accountability, and so do we. What are some common fears that keep us from building community?

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