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**Episode 10: Finale** Discussion Guide

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**Episode 10: Finale** is the final episode of the *Dear Church* series. Pastor Aren begins by looking back on the experience, then wraps things up by turning his mic towards other generations, from Baby Boomers to a room full of Generation Alpha kids.

**STARTER** Before listening to Episode 10, what has been your greatest takeaway so far from the *Dear Church* series? Which young adult story resonated with you most?

Question 1 Pastor Aren gives a phone call to a 71-year-old woman named Claudette, who says the Church is not "competing...or giving [young people] a positive alternative." [6:58] What did you think of Claudette's perspective on the Church?

**Question 2** Beginning at **10:08**, we hear Pastor Aren's conversation with a classroom of 4<sup>th</sup> graders about the Church. What stood out to you about their responses?

Question 3 The final guest is a man named Keith, who says that if we give young people the freedom and movement to be able to experience church however they are, it will all work out. [29:06] How much "freedom" do you think the Church should give to members, especially young ones, to experience faith however they choose?

**BONUS** Pastor Aren ends the episode and the series by saying, "Maybe the point is that the show now continues with you. What can you do to help our Church listen better?" [**34:28**] Think on that question for a moment. What would be your answer?