



Celebrate Recovery

4th Anniversary

Special Life-Change Story

Friday, February 17th 7pm



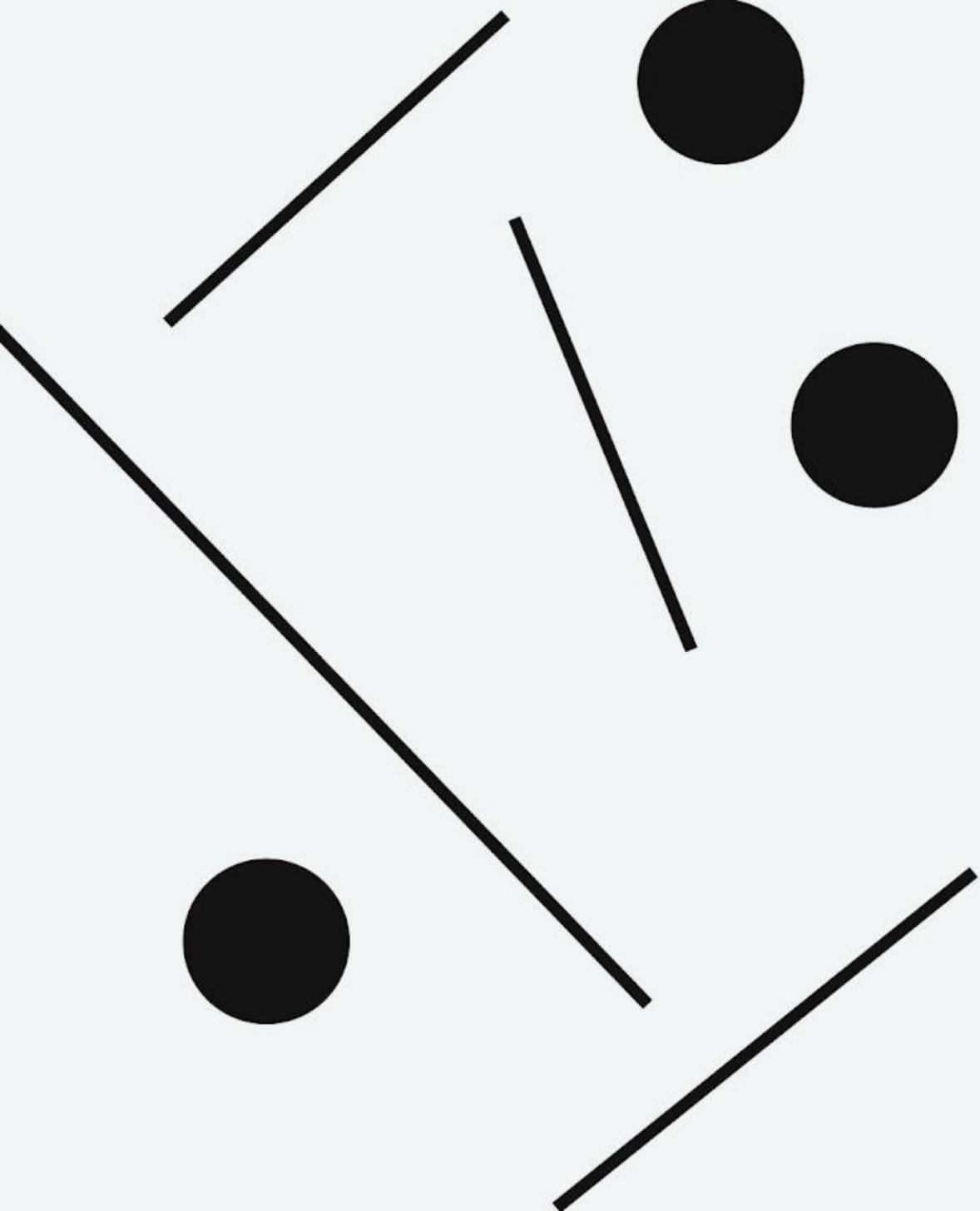
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Fridays at 7pm
Student Center

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ESTHER

WEEK 1

Even when it looks like God's not with you, He remains faithful to his promises; so trust and obey Him with courage and conviction.

Week One
Esther 1-3

Week Two
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WEEK 2

God is sovereign and in control, so His people are called to courageously act in faith.

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WEEK 3

God opposes the proud and gives grace to the humble.
Humble yourself under the Sovereign Hand of God.

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Proverbs 21:1 NASB

The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the LORD; He turns it wherever He pleases.

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Romans 13:1 NIV

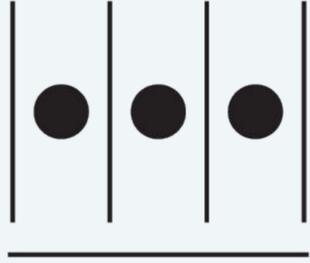
Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

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Remembering God's Faithfulness

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Esther 9-10

A table turned

A feast of joy

A Jew exalted

Esther 9:1-3 ^{NIV}

On the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, the month of Adar, the edict commanded by the king was to be carried out. **On this day the enemies of the Jews had hoped to overpower them, but now the tables were turned and the Jews got the upper hand over those who hated them.** ² The Jews assembled in their cities in all the provinces of King Xerxes to attack those determined to destroy them. No one could stand against them, because the people of all the other nationalities were afraid of them. ³ And all the nobles of the provinces, the satraps, the governors and the king's administrators helped the Jews, because fear of Mordecai had seized them.

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Esther 3:13 ^{NIV}

Dispatches were sent by couriers to all the king's provinces with the order to destroy, kill and annihilate all the Jews—young and old, women and children—on a single day, the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, the month of Adar, and to plunder their goods.

Esther 8:11-12 NIV

The king's edict granted the Jews in every city the right to assemble and protect themselves; to destroy, kill and annihilate the armed men of any nationality or province who might attack them and their women and children, and to plunder the property of their enemies. ¹² The day appointed for the Jews to do this in all the provinces of King Xerxes was the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, the month of Adar.

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Quiet	>	Queen
Gate	>	Great
Parade	>	Pole
Prince	>	Pawn
Fast	>	Feast
Tremble	>	Triumph
Rout	>	Rescue
Selfish	>	Selfless
Coincidence	>	Conviction

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Esther 9:20-23 NIV

Mordecai recorded these events, and he sent letters to all the Jews throughout the provinces of King Xerxes, near and far, ²¹ to have them celebrate annually the fourteenth and fifteenth days of the month of Adar ²² as the time when the Jews got relief from their enemies, and as the month when their sorrow was turned into joy and their mourning into a day of celebration. He wrote them to observe the days as days of feasting and joy and giving presents of food to one another and gifts to the poor. ²³ So the Jews agreed to continue the celebration they had begun, doing what Mordecai had written to them.

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Esther 9:24-26 NIV

For Haman son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, had plotted against the Jews to destroy them and had cast the **pur (that is, the lot)** for their ruin and destruction. ²⁵ But when the plot came to the king's attention, he issued written orders that the evil scheme Haman had devised against the Jews should come back onto his own head, and that he and his sons should be impaled on poles. ²⁶ **(Therefore these days were called Purim, from the word pur.)** Because of everything written in this letter and because of what they had seen and what had happened to them...

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Esther 9:27-28 NIV

The Jews took it on themselves to establish the custom that they and their descendants and all who join them should without fail observe these two days every year, in the way prescribed and at the time appointed. ²⁸ These days should be **remembered and observed in every generation by every family**, and in every province and in every city. And these days of Purim should never fail to be celebrated by the Jews—**nor should the memory of these days die out among their descendants.**

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Esther 10:2-3 NIV

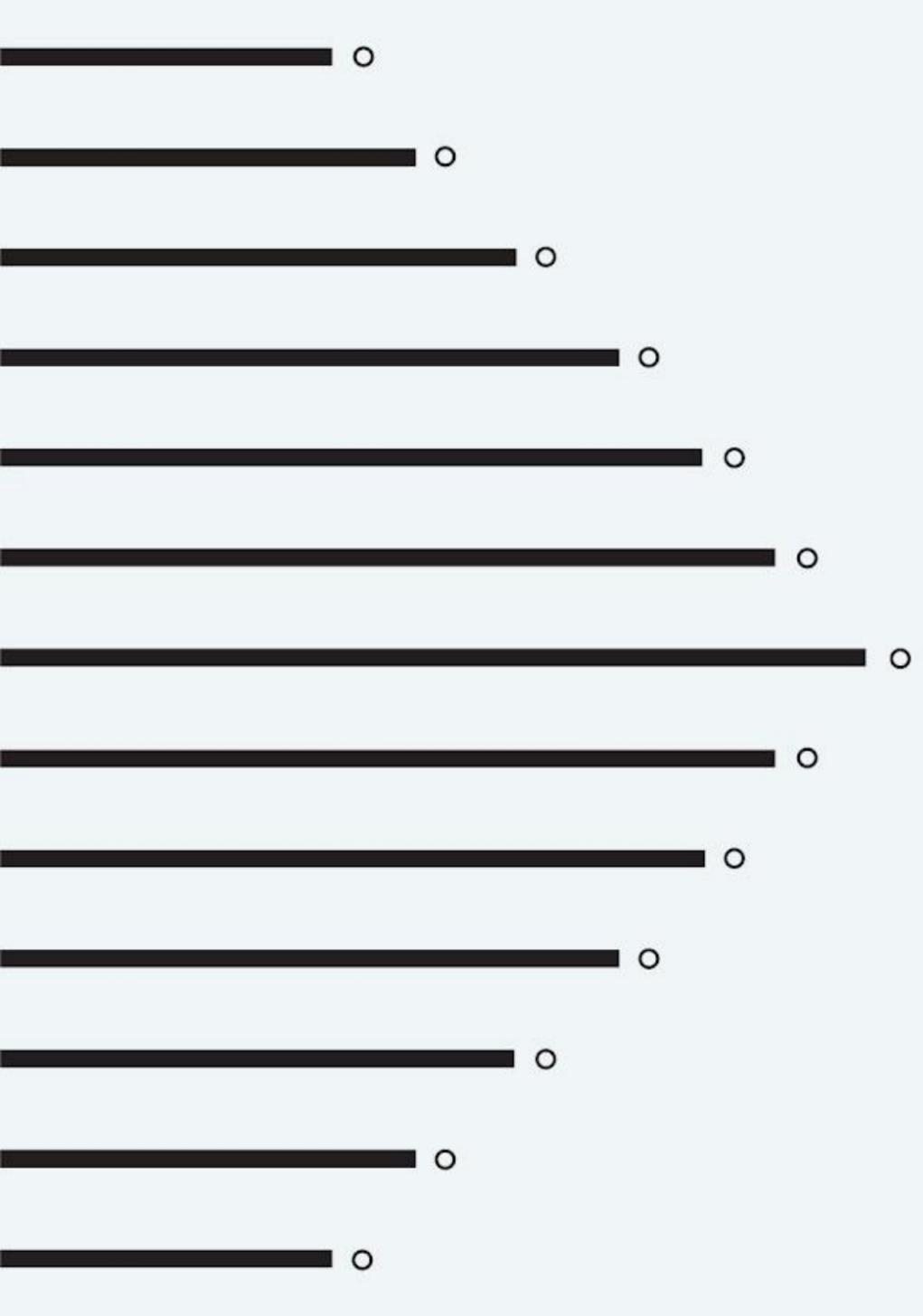
And all his acts of power and might, together with a full account of **the greatness of Mordecai**, whom the king had promoted, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Media and Persia? ³ Mordecai the Jew was **second in rank** to King Xerxes, **preeminent among the Jews**, and held in **high esteem** by his many fellow Jews, because he **worked for the good of his people** and **spoke up for the welfare of all the Jews**.

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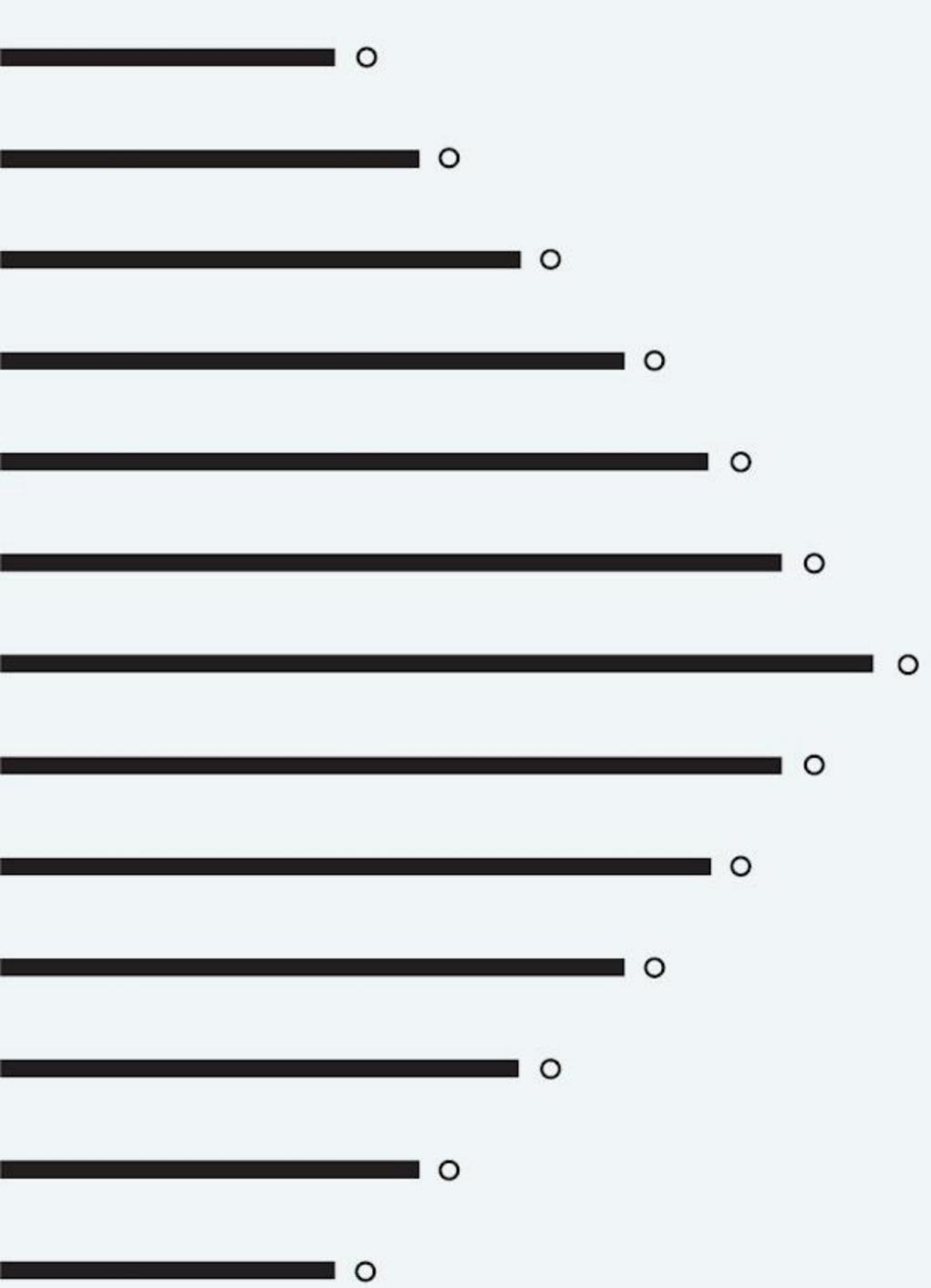
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Intentional remembrance

What story of God's faithfulness do you need to remember through celebration?

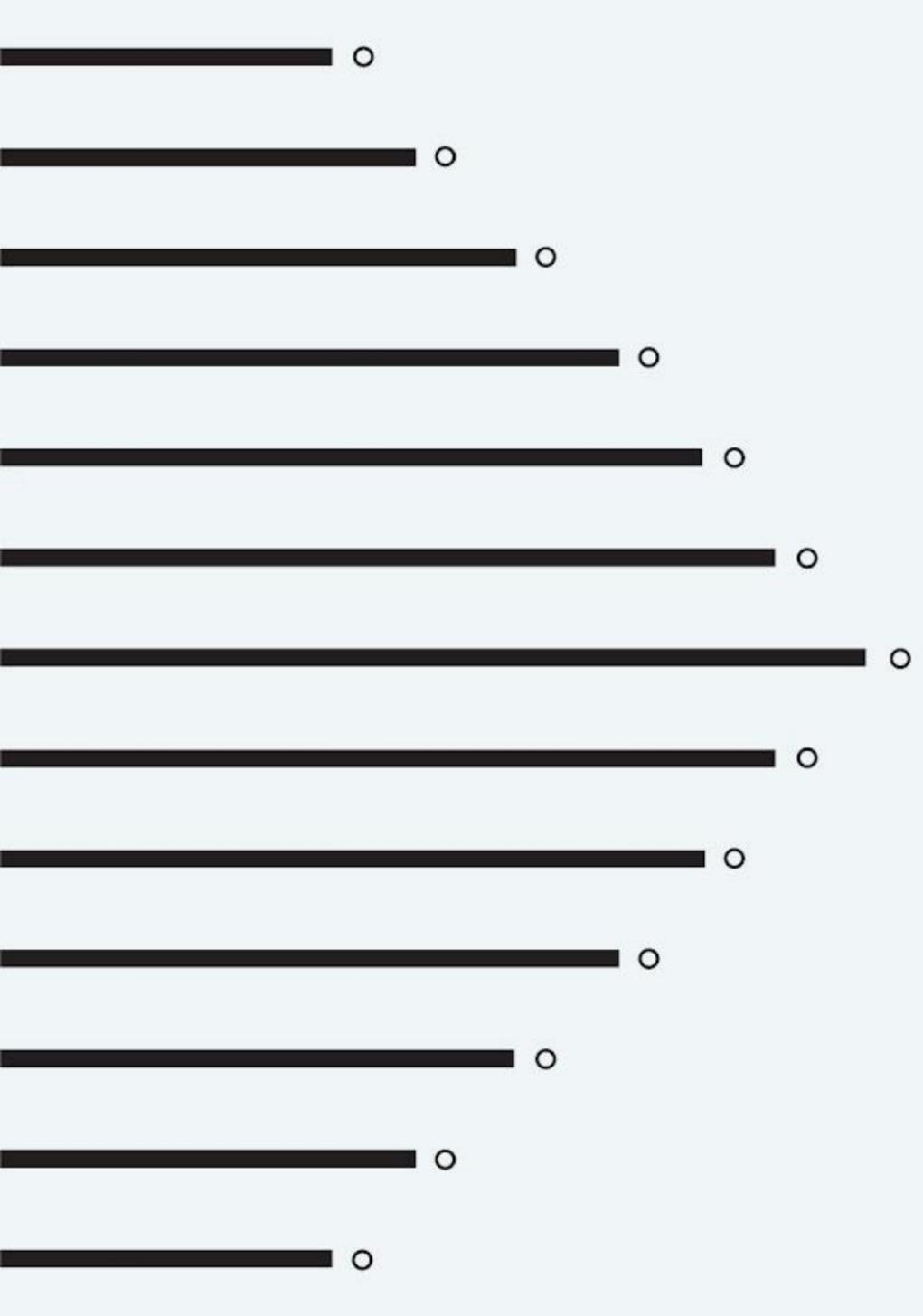


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Intentional remembrance

A table turned > Crucifixion

A feast of joy > Resurrection

A Jew exalted > Ascension