

# I'M STILL HERE

## Session 5 - FINAL SESSION

| Chapter 10 - chapter 12 & Interlude, chapter 13-14

### BEGIN BY...

reflecting on your summer. Go around and share a gratitude you have, as well as a place of difficulty or loss from this summer.

### DISCUSS

In chapter 10, Austin writes about her concerns related to random police encounters. What have you (or your family's) interactions with the police been like?

In chapter 11, Austin writes about her cousin who was incarcerated. Has your life been touched by incarceration?

The Black Lives Matter movement has helped define the collective events regarding the recent killings of unarmed black people. How have the events collectively known as the Black Lives Matter Era impacted you?

Because Austin was pregnant as she wrote this book, she includes a letter to her son where she talks openly about the difficulties her son may face in his future. Did your parents openly teach you about race? What did they convey and how?

### REFLECT

To end your time together, share one word that sums up how you are feeling now that you've read this book.

Then, go around and answer the question: "What's next?" What's next for you in terms of this summer, what's next in terms of your anti-racism learning/work, what's next in your work... answer this question in a way that feels right for you.