



Northland Christian Church

Group Discussion Guide For the Week of August 28, 2022

Use the questions below as a springboard for discussion. You do not have to answer every question. Pick the ones you think will be helpful. Remember, Ultimately we want God's answers, not man's opinions. Always land where God lands. (ex: Where do we see that in the Bible?) Give grace. Give time for growth. Don't force it. Growth takes time, love, good questions, & patient, humble support.

Connect

- What is one important event you have witnessed?
- What is one project of yours that is still unfinished?

Context

In John chapter 19, we get to the moment that Jesus has been building towards in His entire ministry years on earth. His brutal sacrifice and crucifixion. Laying down His life to pay for the sins for all who would believe.

Engage the Bible

Read the passage and share Observations, Surprises, and Takeaways from:

Take turns and Read John 19 out loud as a group.

Discuss

1. What stands out to you in this passage? What is surprising? Challenging? Encouraging? Motivating? What can we learn about Jesus? About people? About us? About the mission of God?
2. How important are the historical eyewitness accounts of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection to your faith in Him?
3. How does this account of Jesus' crucifixion affect you?
4. What does Jesus' death mean to us?
5. What is significant about Jesus' death on the cross?
6. What did Jesus mean when He said, "It is finished"?
7. Read [Isaiah 53:1-12](#). Though this reads like a description of Jesus' death written by a Christian poet/theologian, it's actually a prophecy written long before the time of Christ. How does this prophecy line up with what John tells us about Jesus' death? What does this say about the plans of God? The love of God? The sovereignty of God?

8. What does Pilate's response to the Jewish leaders reveal about him? Why is the fear of man dangerous?
9. When have you made a decision based on fear and ambition, rather than on what is right? How do you feel about that now? How can you guard against it in the future?

Weekly Challenge

10. On your own this week, re-read the account of Jesus' suffering and death, stopping after each section to thank him for what he endured for our sake.

End Your Group Time in Prayer