

Let's Talk About It || Let's Talk About The Cross Week 5

Group Notes

INTRODUCTION

This week before Easter, we will look at the words of Jesus from the cross. He quotes the Old Testament, he speaks to his best friend and his mother, he speaks to a criminal on a cross next to him, he talks to God, he speaks to the soldiers, and he speaks to you and me. The words from the cross reveal the meaning of the cross and prepare us for the greatest event in human history.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

1. What is your favorite Easter Candy? Why?
2. What is your favorite Easter tradition? Why is it special?

SERMON NOTES REVIEW

Looking back at your message notes from this weekend's teaching, was there anything that caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

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GROUP DISCUSSION

1. What does it mean to you, personally, that the debt of your sin has been paid?
2. Read [Matthew 27:45-47](#). Share a time when you felt forsaken and why?
3. Read [Luke 23:34](#). Imagine being there, hearing those words, "Father, forgive them." What do you think the soldiers thought when they heard what Jesus said?
4. Read [Luke 23:35-43](#). What do the thieves on the cross teach us about the best use of our last moments of life?
5. Why do you think, of all the disciples, that John is the one at the cross? Why does Jesus give his mother's care to John instead of giving it to his own brothers?
6. Read [John 19:28-30](#). What does Jesus ask for while hanging on the cross?
7. What does John want us to know about this request by Jesus? Read [Psalm 22:15](#) and [Psalm 69:21](#). What does the fulfillment of this prophecy, and others by Jesus, tell you about the plan of God even while Jesus is being crucified?

PRAYER

Go around your group and ask for prayer requests. As a group, spend time praying over each other. Pray and thank God for what He did on the cross to forgive your sins. Pray that you would be humbled and encouraged to spread the “Good News” as we approach the Easter celebration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are never more like Jesus than when we give and serve. If you are not currently serving, we have Easter serving opportunities at all campuses for you! Sign up [here](#) to serve on Easter!
- Who are you inviting to come to Easter service with you? It is always the right time to invite. To find service times and a digital way to invite your friends and family, click [here](#).