

WEEK 3 DISCUSSION GUIDE

Invited

THIS WEEK

BIG IDEA

We're invited to remember what Jesus has done.

BIBLE

Luke 23; Isaiah 53:4–9;
John 15:3

ABOUT THIS WEEK

If you've ever been invited to a retirement party, you're familiar with the way parties can help us celebrate achievements in our life and work. This week, we'll take a look at the story of Jesus' crucifixion and see why it was such an important event for us all. Jesus' death changed everything, and at Easter, **we're invited to remember what Jesus has done.**

- **What's a silly human trick you can do? Roll your tongue? Whistle by breathing in? Or maybe you're double-jointed? Something more awesome? Would you mind sharing it with the group?**
- **Have you ever looked back on your memories and felt the same emotions as when you first experienced it? What are some of your favorite memories to think about?**
- **Why do you think it's such a powerful experience to remember things with a group of people?**
- **After hearing the story of Jesus' arrest and death, what parts stick out to you the most? What do you have questions about?**
- **Why do you think that the last week of Jesus' life and the last day, specifically, take up more space in the Gospels than anything else?**
- **If you were in Pilate's position, what would you be thinking? What about the crowd or Jesus' disciples? How would you have felt in those positions as the scene played out?**
- **What parts of this story or from another place in Jesus' life do you want to make an effort to remember this Easter season?**
- **Who is one person in your life who models the sacrificial love that Jesus demonstrates this week? What is a way they demonstrate love that you could also start to put into practice on your own?**
- **Read John 15:3. What can you do this week to remind yourself that you are loved by God more than you can imagine?**
- **As a group, what would it look like for us to remember what Jesus has done for us this week?**



INSTRUCTIONS: *Plan to invite your friends to Easter by creating party invitations for Easter and work on them during the weeks leading up to Easter. Mail them with confetti a few weeks before Easter. Then make a plan to text the friends you invited to Easter the week before Easter services!*