

Close to Jesus (Luke 8:26-39) DISCUSSION GUIDE

BIG IDEA

Many of feel that we must stay far from Jesus because then He would see who we truly are. We fear that when our true hearts are revealed it will lead to suffering. But it isn't until we allow God to graciously deal with our true selves, through brokenness and repentance, that we will truly ever be close to Him.

QUESTIONS

Who is God?

Based on this passage, what do we learn about the nature and character of God? What is revealed about His plan and how He works?

What is God doing?

How is God at work in this passage?

Who am I?

Based on this passage, what do we learn about ourselves? What do we need to know about who we are in relationship to who God is and what He has done?

How should I live?

In light of what this passage tells us about God, what He has done, and who we are, how then should we live? What things do we need to repent of? What do we need to take to heart? Where do we need to trust God?