## The Plan

Week 3 – 04/16/17 "The Win is in the Resurrection"

**Ice Breaker:** (Have everyone participate.) What is your favorite Easter moment?

## **Opening Questions:** (Have 3-4 people answer.)

- 1. Can you share about a time when someone "more religious" criticized you?
- 2. Do you think that their criticism damaged your view of God? Why or why not?
- 3. What was your response to their criticism?
- 4. How could you have responded differently?

Text: (Pick different people to look up and read each passage.)

- 1. Isaiah 53:5
- 2. Romans 3:23-25
- 3. Romans 8:11

Tough Questions to Consider: (Encourage everyone to answer.)

- 1. What makes Jesus' life, the work that he did here on earth, significant? Why?
- 2. Do you think it was a difficult choice for Jesus to leave heaven and his divinity to suffer here on earth? Why or why not?
- 3. How would you describe God's love to someone who doesn't know Him?
  - a. Do you feel this love from Him in your own life?
- 4. Is there someone that you have had a hard time loving lately? Why do you think it's been difficult?

## Challenge: (Have everyone answer.)

- 1. Pick one person specifically to show love to this week. Who did you pick? Why?
- 2. Now that you know whom you're going to love on, what are you going to do to show them Jesus' love?

## Prayer:

"Father, thank you for doing what you promised you would do. Thank you for bridging the gap between us with your Son, Jesus. Please help us to focus on your love for others this week as we recognize what you gave so that we could be together in eternity one day."