

Good Friday Service April 10, 2020 - Todd Clark

Pastor Todd shares with us a message that sheds light on Good Friday!

NOTE: We are sending this out early so you and your families can spend time watching service and discussing the Study Guide together! If you're looking for some virtual ways to connect with your Small Group, check out Zoom or Google Hangouts!

CELEBRATE

At the beginning of your small group time, it's good to share about your week and share with each other how you're doing. So, spend some time, right now, connecting before jumping into the discussion questions. You can use the *Connect* section as a guide. If you're doing this Study Guide on your own, take a moment to focus your mind on God and what He might want you to hear today.

CONNECT

- 1. What's your favorite Easter candy of all time? It's a hot debate these days!
- 2. Talk about what's been the most challenging part of social distancing for you. Whether you're an extrovert or introvert, share what the experience has been like.

Before watching the <u>sermon</u>, or moving on in this study, take a minute to remember that God is always with you. Pray as a group for God to bless your conversation and open your eyes and hearts to what He wants you to hear.

REFLECT

Before moving forward in your study, take a moment and reflect on a key takeaway from the message.

• Though this day involves grief in remembering the suffering of Jesus, it sheds light on the good God has done through it.

SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE: 2 Corinthians 5:21; Philippians 2:6-8

RESPOND

- 1. Talk about a thought, phrase, or moment from the message that resonated with you. What made it stick out to you?
- 2. Pastor Todd named examples of things people are grieving right now. Talk about what you are grieving, or missing, in the season we're in right now.
- 3. Open up to Psalm 9:9 and read it out loud, if possible. God provides us peace, in and through our circumstances. Talk about some of the things you're grateful for, despite the grief. Maybe it's something God has been up to that never would have happened, or might have gone noticed, without the current circumstances.
- 4. Take a few minutes to talk to God about the things you're grateful for right now. Then, share with him the things you're grieving the loss of, or struggling with.

TAKEAWAY:

• When you think about where you want to get in your walk with Jesus (recovery from addiction, peace from anxiety, healing in your marriage/relationship), what do you feel like is separating you from getting there? Talk about what's holding you back right now. Brainstorm something you could do this weekend to take a step towards a breakthrough in it.