

Key Scriptures Passage	Questions for Reflecting and Group Discussion
<p><b>Matthew 27:26-31</b>  <b>Luke 23:34</b></p> <p><b>Group Values:</b></p> <p><u>Authenticity</u> – Be honest. As you share together, learn to build trust with one another.</p> <p><u>Accountability</u> – Give permission for others to ask you questions about your life.</p> <p><u>Safety</u> – NO gossip. However, if someone is in danger, putting someone in danger, or through their inaction causing a person to be in danger then it must be reported.</p>	<p><b>Start talking.</b> Find a conversation starter for your group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When you think about a safe space to talk about hard things, what does that safe space look like?</li> </ul> <p><b>Start thinking.</b> Ask a question to get your group thinking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?</li> <li>Practically, what does treating someone with care and respect look like?</li> <li>Read <b>Isalah 53:4-5</b>. What stands out to you in this passage? How does it impact the way you view Jesus?</li> </ul> <p><b>Start sharing.</b> Choose a question to create openness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have you or a family member or friend experienced abuse or other hurts that you need to process? Spend time listening to and caring for one another.</li> <li>Talk about some ways you can find healing. How would your life look different if you started to forgive people who have hurt you?</li> </ul> <p><b>Start praying.</b> Be bold and pray with power.</p> <p><i>Father, thank You for being with us in every part of our lives. Please help us to be honest about any abuse or hurts we've experienced so we can find healing. Thank You for showing us what forgiveness looks like, even when it's hard. Help us as we choose freedom and healing. In Jesus' name, amen.</i></p> <p><b>Start doing.</b> Commit to a step and live it out this week.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spend time praying each day this week for healing for yourself and those you know at The Journey Church.</li> <li>If you or someone in your group is currently in an abusive situation, call 1-800-799-7233 or visit <a href="http://www.thehotline.org/">www.thehotline.org/</a> to start a free, confidential chat with someone who can help.</li> <li>Start the <i>Jesus Can Relate</i> Bible Plan using Plans With Friends: <a href="http://www.go2.lc/beenthere">www.go2.lc/beenthere</a></li> <li>Consider how you could love others by serving on the weekend in one of our Mission Initiatives at The JC. Contact Rob Williams <a href="mailto:Rob.williams@thejourneychurch.net">Rob.williams@thejourneychurch.net</a>.</li> </ul>

