

WEEK 2

SMALL GROUP GUIDE



BIG IDEA

Jesus is the light in the darkness.

BIBLE

The Last Supper

Mark 14:12-26; John 3:16-21

ABOUT THIS WEEK

Flashlights are great during a power outage or a nighttime stroll. That little bit of light helps you feel calm and find your way. This week, Jesus shares a final meal with his disciples and gives them comfort and direction, even though hard times are coming. Just like that flashlight, **Jesus is the light in the darkness.**

MEMORY VERSE

"The Lord is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear?" – Psalm 27:1a (NIV)



DISCUSSION

BIBLE QUESTIONS

- **What were Jesus and his disciples doing in today's Bible story?** They were sharing a meal for Passover, the Festival of Unleavened Bread.
- **What did Jesus say that was surprising to his disciples?** Jesus said that one of the disciples at that table would betray him.
- **What did the bread and the cup mean?** They stood for Jesus' body and blood. It was meant as a way for them to remember Jesus after he died.
- **Read John 3:16–17. How did God light up the darkness by sending Jesus?** Instead of allowing the world to stay in darkness, God sent Jesus to save the world.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- **When things start to feel dark—when you feel frightened or lost—what do you normally do?**
- **What does it mean for Jesus to be your light in any kind of darkness?**
- **Who else in your life needs to know about the light of Jesus?**

ACTIVITY

WHAT TO DO



Give each kid a neon paper bag, battery-powered tea light, neon markers, paper punchers (whatever fun designs you have like hearts, stars, or happy faces). Have kids punch holes and draw designs all around the bags, including writing out the Big Idea or memory verse. Once they are done, have them open the bag, and place the light inside to create a paper luminary. Scan QR code for a worked example.

WHAT TO SAY

Place your new luminary creations somewhere where you can always see, especially on days that feel dark, to remember that Jesus is the light in the darkness.