

# Group Guide: Reruns that revive week# 4 "Why Jesus is a Big Deal"

## Opening Question:

• What's one thing that stood out to you from the sermon about Jesus?

#### Key Takeaways:

- 1. Jesus is our Creator
- 2. Jesus is our Sustainer
- 3. Jesus is our Deliverer

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. The sermon mentions that Jesus created everything, including our brains. How does understanding Jesus as Creator impact your view of yourself and others?
- 2. We learned that Jesus sustains all things, including keeping the Earth tilted at the perfect angle. How does this demonstrate God's power? How can this truth encourage us in our daily lives?
- 3. The pastor said, "God specializes in operating in the realm of impossible." Share a time when you've seen God work in an "impossible" situation in your life or someone else's.
- 4. How does the idea of Jesus as our Deliverer relate to the problem of sin described in the sermon? Why is this significant for humanity?
- 5. The sermon states, "Satan seeking whom he may devour is NO MATCH for a Savior seeking whom he may deliver!" How does this statement encourage you in your faith journey?

# **Practical Applications:**

- 1. Creator: Take a moment each day this week to appreciate something in creation. Thank Jesus for His role as Creator.
- 2. Sustainer: When facing a challenge this week, remind yourself that the God who sustains the universe can sustain you through your situation.
- 3. Deliverer: Reflect on areas in your life where you need deliverance. Spend time in prayer, asking Jesus to work in those areas.
- 4. Share with someone this week one reason why Jesus is a "big deal" to you personally.

# Closing Prayer:

Thank Jesus for being our Creator, Sustainer, and Deliverer. Ask for His help in living out these truths in our daily lives and sharing His importance with others.



Don't let the message end when the service does. Take these questions into your week—ask them at dinner, in the car, on a walk, or online. Let them open doors for faith to grow and for hearts to be stirred toward Jesus.

- How does understanding Jesus as our Creator impact our sense of self-worth and purpose? In what ways might this perspective change how we view ourselves and others?
- The sermon mentions that we are God's 'workmanship' or 'work of art'. How does this concept challenge or affirm your current view of human value and dignity?
- What are some practical implications of Jesus being our Sustainer in our daily lives? How might this truth affect how we approach challenges or uncertainties?
- The sermon discusses the earth's tilt as evidence of God's sustaining power. Can you think of other examples in nature or life that point to God's ongoing involvement in creation?

- How does the idea of Jesus as our Deliverer relate to personal struggles with sin or addiction? What does it mean for us to live in light of this deliverance?
- The sermon mentions humanity's tendency to 'hide' from God since the Fall. In what ways do you see this manifesting in contemporary society or in your own life?
- How does the concept of Jesus 'dying as us' rather than just 'for us' change your understanding of the crucifixion? What implications does this have for our relationship with God?
- The sermon states that 'Satan seeking whom he may devour is NO MATCH for a Savior seeking whom he may deliver.' How does this statement encourage or challenge your faith?
- In what ways does Jesus being Creator, Sustainer, and Deliverer form a cohesive picture of His role in our lives? How might focusing on all three aspects deepen our worship?
- The sermon emphasizes Jesus' global impact with 2.5 billion followers. How does being part of this global community of believers affect your personal faith journey?



#### **Day 1: The Divine Creator**

Reading: Colossians 1:15-17

Devotional: As we read about Jesus being the Creator of all things, let's marvel at the intricacy and beauty of His creation. Our very existence is a testament to His power and creativity. Reflect on how you, as a unique creation, bear God's image. How does knowing you are "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14) impact your self-worth and purpose? Today, take time to appreciate the details of creation around you, from the complexity of your own body to the vastness of the cosmos. Let this awareness fuel your worship and deepen your connection with the Creator.

# **Day 2: The Sustainer of All**

Reading: Hebrews 1:1-3

Devotional: Today's passage reminds us that Jesus is not only our Creator but also our Sustainer, "upholding all things by the word of His power." In a world that often feels chaotic and uncertain, what comfort can you draw from knowing that Christ is in control? Consider the areas of your life where you struggle to let go and trust God's sustaining power. How might your perspective and actions change if you fully embraced the truth that Jesus is holding everything together? Pray for increased faith to trust in His sovereign care over every aspect of your life.

# Day 3: The Divine Deliverer

Reading: Colossians 2:13-15

Devotional: Jesus, our Deliverer, has triumphed over sin and death. The cross and empty tomb stand as eternal symbols of His victory. Reflect on areas in your life where you feel trapped or defeated. How does the reality of Christ's deliverance speak into these situations? Remember, "Satan seeking whom he may devour is NO MATCH for a Savior seeking whom he may deliver!" Take time to confess any sins or fears to God, accepting

His forgiveness and freedom. How can you live today in light of the deliverance Jesus has secured for you?

## Day 4: The Image of the Invisible God

Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:4-6

Devotional: Jesus is described as "the image of the invisible God," revealing God's nature and character to us. As you read today's passage, consider how Jesus has made God known to you personally. In what ways has encountering Christ changed your understanding of who God is? Reflect on how you can be a clearer reflection of Christ's image to those around you. Pray for opportunities to demonstrate God's love and character in your interactions with others today.

#### **Day 5: Our Priceless Worth in Christ**

Reading: Ephesians 2:8-10

Devotional: Today's reading reminds us that we are God's "workmanship," His masterpiece created in Christ Jesus. How does knowing you are a priceless work of art, crafted by the Divine Artist, influence your self-perception? Consider areas where you struggle with feelings of worthlessness or inadequacy. How might embracing your true value in Christ transform these thoughts? Take time to thank God for the specific ways He has uniquely gifted and called you. Ask Him to help you live out the good works He has prepared in advance for you to do.

