### Main Street Church - Life Group Questions Message: March 15, 2015. Journey to the Cross (Part 1)



### **Connect** :: 3 Icebreaker Options

Download the game app (on your phone, ipad...) – <u>Heads Up!</u> – and choose a game or two to play as a group. (download the app & preview the options before your group to choose the best ones)
Play a round or two of <u>Mennonite Madness</u>.

(Google the rules: you'll need 1 dice, 1 pencil, piece of paper for each person)

3. <u>1 Thing You Don't Know About Me is</u> – I

(Have each person write down it down on a small piece of paper, fold it, throw it in a hat. Pass the hat, pick one out and take one guess at who it is. If you're wrong have the group guess... If you pick your own, just pick another)

# **Open with Prayer**

"Jesus – thank you for bringing us together as a Group. Lead us on a journey of discovery, remembrance, reflection and response this season as we head towards Good Friday & Easter. Amen."

## Check In (Don't skip over this)

- :: What has God been showing/speaking to you about in your personal time with Him?
- :: What are you doing to feed yourself spiritually during the week (outside of Sunday and Life Group)?
- :: How can we as a group encourage one another to spend intentional time with Jesus?

(Devotional ideas (Prayer booklets...), Bible Reading Plan, Accountability, Encounter God...)

## Sunday Message Feedback :: Journey to the Cross (Part 1)

#### What jumped out at you from Sunday's message?

Which particular point or passage of Scripture most challenged, confused or caught your attention? What did Jesus say to you to you this past week through the message?

- **1.** When you consider the world you live in and the relationships you have with people what tends to be their opinion or view about Jesus? Discuss.
- 2. If you had to describe who Jesus is to someone what would you tell them? Discuss.
- 3. This week we saw how Jesus was questioned about who He was and the authority He had. These same kinds of questions still surface today as people seek Jesus and try to understand who He is. Jesus continues to be on the cover of key magazines, in TV miniseries, and in conversations at workplaces, universities and political arenas. Looking at who Jesus said He was can help us know Him more personally and build our confidence in helping others understand who He is. (see the list of scriptures on the next page)

:: Read the following verses and discuss who Jesus says He is in the following verses?

- Matthew 11:29
- Luke 22:27
- John 6:35
- John 8:12
- John 10:11
- John 14:2
- John 14:6
- John 15:5

4. Paul writes in his letter to the Colossians what could be seen as a "mini-theology" of who Jesus is. (He wrote it to counter false teaching about Jesus) As you read Colossians 1:15-20 what key points do you see Paul making?

5. Looking at your comments for both questions (3 & 4) above, which statements about who Jesus is and what He has done are most important for you to remember, and why? Discuss.

### **APPLICATION & PRAYER:**

Read Colossians 1:9-14 & 21-23a, then take a few minutes and use your responses/comments above as a prayer guide to specifically thank JESUS for who He is and what He has done for you.

Jesus, I praise You for...

Jesus, I thank You for ...

Jesus, I ask You to ...

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Sunday, March 22 :: PRAYER SUMMIT – Now on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. 6pm. Kids Summit program provided for kids ages 2-11.

**:: GOOD FRIDAY** – April 3<sup>rd</sup>. 10am. **:: EASTER SUNDAY** – April 5<sup>th</sup>. 9am & 10:45am.

Fri&Sat. May 1-2 :: ENCOUNTER GOD Retreat – Let's do this! Register Now! www.mainstreetchurch.ca/encountergod