

FIRST BAPTISTCHURCH ASHLAND

Discipleship Guide It Is Finished John 19

This guide was created to help you engage with the message and create deeper engagement with our worship services. Each week this guide will encourage you to reflect on two primary questions using the framework of Up (with God), In (with church) and Out (with neighbors). As we use this guide to reflect on the scriptures and your relationship with God, each other and your neighbors, consider pausing for a moment in quiet before jumping into the questions.

Weekly Questions:

- How is God getting my attention? For help, think about these areas:
 - How are you living up with God?
 - How are you living in community with other followers of Jesus?
 - How are you living out on mission with your neighbors?
- What are you going to do about it?

John 19:16b-30

It is finished. 3 words that mean so much. What "it" is...well, it is life-changing.

- Have you ever worked on a long project and at the end it all fell to pieces? What was it like? How did you feel? What helped you make it through?
- Pilate puts on a sign above Jesus while on the cross that says "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. Why is the sign important? What must it have been like for Jesus' friends and family to see him on the cross?

Jesus shows us what leadership is meant to look like in our world.

- If Jesus is Lord, how is your understanding of what is good leadership informed by Jesus' life, death and resurrection?
- How does Jesus' public leadership differ from so many of the leaders lifted up in our culture?

As Jesus takes his last breaths he says, "it is finished." When it seems like a failed project, Jesus takes all of our sin and brokenness upon himself and makes a pathway for wholeness.

- What does it mean to you that Jesus forgives you?
- Where is an area of your life where you haven't experienced the good news of "it is finished"?
- Is there anyone that you have resisted sharing the freedom of "it is finished"?

For our kids (and adults too!):

Will you live it? Will you love sacrificially for the sake of others? What does it look like?

After reflection, what are you going to do about what you learned this week?