

WOMEN'S REFRESH  SPRING 2023

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Colossians 2:6 "Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him."

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MAY 5-6 | FRI 6:30PM-9PM | SAT 9AM-3PM



ENCOUNTER JESUS

Week 32 | BEHOLD THE MAN | John 19:1-42

THIS KING DIDN'T INHERIT HIS KINGDOM HE BUILT HIS KINGDOM WITH HIS OWN NAIL-SCARRED HANDS

We are drawn to stories about kings who win back their thrones. They win them against all odds, against overwhelming opposition, like the forsaken prince who overcomes the evil uncle who stole the throne from its rightful heir. Though they may be fables to us today, they mattered to people back in the days of monarchies. People pleaded for a good king because their lives hung in the balance. As goes the king, so goes his people. You don't have to look further than the Bible to see that this is true. We have Saul versus David, Ahab versus Hezekiah Jeroboam versus Josiah—evil kings who were a curse to their people and good kings who were a blessing. And then there's Jesus. Maybe you didn't know this, but the gospel tells the story of King Jesus' love for His people. This King didn't inherit His kingdom. He built His kingdom with His own nail-scarred hands. Soul by soul, heart by heart, and person by person. Rescuing them from sin and brokenness to take part in His everlasting glory. That's our KING!!

Leaders: Take your group through each section: **Pray, Reflect, and Reach.** Keep in mind the time allowances. In the **Reflect** section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.



PRAY (10 min)

As a Life Group, reflect and pray over this weekend's message. Spend time prayerfully reflecting on Christ's suffering in John 19. Pray as God leads you.



REFLECT (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through this week's lesson, consider these questions as a group and discuss them.

1. Read through the account of Christ's suffering in John 19. As you read prayerfully, what emerges from the story? **What is God speaking and revealing to you? Write it down and share it with the group.**

BUT GOD HAS CHOSEN THE FOOLISH THINGS OF THE WORLD TO PUT TO SHAME THE WISE, AND GOD HAS CHOSEN THE WEAK THINGS OF THE WORLD TO PUT TO SHAME THE THINGS WHICH ARE MIGHTY; AND THE BASE THINGS OF THE WORLD AND THE THINGS WHICH ARE DESPISED GOD HAS CHOSEN.

1 COR 1:27

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2. Consider everything Christ did to rescue you and bring you into His kingdom. Based on the teaching, consider how every detail of His suffering has meaning in your life. Your cleansing, your acceptance, your opportunities to draw near to Him. **Write down some reflections.**

JESUS WAS FLANKED BY SINNERS SO YOU COULD BE SURROUNDED BY ANGELS AND A GREAT CLOUD OF WITNESSES.

3. Christ's suffering for you was perfect and complete. Concerning your redemption, there is nothing missing. You wholly and entirely belong to God as His beloved child. Your King, King Jesus, did that for you. **In response, how are going to live your life?**

JESUS WAS CROWNED WITH THORNS SO YOU COULD BE CROWNED WITH GLORY. HE HUNG ON THE CROSS SO HE COULD ETERNALLY HANG ON TO YOU.



WEEKLY MEMORIZATION VERSE

1 Timothy 1:17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

THIS WEEK'S MISSIONAL LIVING TIP:

Talk about the greatness of your King with anyone willing to listen. Share how He has changed your life.



REACH (5 min)

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