## **CLARITY** discussion guide *Sunday, April 5, 2020*

Lent/Holy Week: His Death Michael Smith | Luke 23:26-56

## Belong

How will you and your family celebrate Easter? How will this year be different? What can you do to make Easter memorable this year despite the difficulties we are all facing?





What can we learn from the fact that Jesus is mocked by religious leaders and soldiers (35-37)? How do you respond when someone makes fun of you?

## Grow

Read through Luke's account of the Crucifixion, found in Luke 23:26-56. It's a long passage. Take turns reading it out loud.

Take a moment and consider the weight of your sin. How does the weight of your sin relate to the passage you just read? How does this make you feel?

Why do you think the story of Simon of Cyrene (23:26) is included? How do you think this experience might have impacted Simon? Why does Jesus tell the mourning women not to mourn for themselves (23:28)? How do you see judgment and grace in 23:26-43?

Consider the second criminal. How can you have the same hope as he did, of being with Jesus in paradise? Walk through the second criminal's observations of Jesus: recognize Jesus' righteousness, acknowledge your sin, and trust that Jesus has conquered death.

Who can you talk to about Easter this year, encouraging them to start a relationship with Jesus?

How does this passage help you see Jesus more clearly?

**NOTE:** During Holy Week, beginning on the Sunday before Easter, April 5, a family devotional is available each day in the Clarity book starting on page 158. This resource is designed to help your family remember Jesus' journey to the cross.

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Sunday	Luke 23:26-56
Monday	Luke 23:44-49; Psalm 59:1-5; Proverbs 10:14-16
Tuesday	Luke 23:50-56; Psalm 59:6-10; Proverbs 10:17-20
Wednesday	Matthew 27:32-61; Psalm 59:11-17; Proverbs 10:21-24
Thursday	Mark 15:21-47; Psalm 60; Proverbs 10:25-27
Friday	John 19:16-42; Psalm 61; Proverbs 10:28-30
Saturday	Psalm 22:14-18; Psalm 62; Proverbs 10:31-32

In times like this we are privileged to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Although we are currently unable to meet for services, we want to encourage you to check on your neighbors, family members, and brothers and sisters in Christ to make sure they have food, water, and medications. You could also grab a few extra canned goods at the store and drop them off at a food pantry. Let's find ways to express the authentic Christ and offer peace in an anxious world.

## pray

Pray for global workers, John and Amy, as they find new ways to do ministry and meet as a team during this time. Pray they can shine as people of God in their country.