

KEEP TALKING

The weekend doesn't have to end. Keep Talking with this week's guide.

Miracles | Miracle of the Cross

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START TALKING - Find conversations starters for the group or with a friend.

On Palm Sunday we remember the celebrated entry of Jesus into the city of Jerusalem. People lined the streets yelling, "Hosanna!" They waved palm branches. The atmosphere was joyful. Triumphant. Yet things quickly shifted. Within a few days the cries soon turned to, "Crucify Him!" And Jesus endured the cross. Carrying the weight of sin for the entire world.

• Is it easy for you to think of Jesus being willing to die for others, but difficult to imagine that His love is very personally for you?

KEEP READING -Read the Scripture and ask a question to get the group thinking.

Read Isaiah 53:4-6

Isaiah 53 is known as "The Suffering Servant" passage. Take some time to read this entire passage, as it is a Messianic prophecy about Jesus written by the prophet Isaiah hundreds of years before Jesus came to earth.

• Have you ever carried the heavy consequences of the actions of someone else? How did that make you feel? Can you imagine willingly picking up that kind of weight on behalf of the whole world?

Colossians 2:13-15 (NLT)

In this passage, Paul writes about what Jesus accomplished for us on the cross.

• What are some places in your life that felt dead before you met Christ? Are there places that currently feel dead? What needs to be surrendered to Him?

KEEP TALKING - Choose questions to create openness.

The cross has the power to do some very distinct things in our lives.

- 1. It cancels the record of our sin.
- 2. It pays the wages of our sin.
- 3. It lifts the burdens of our sin.
- 4. It breaks the power of sin.

KEEP MOVING/GOING -Commit to a step and live it out this week.

We don't have to wrestle with things alone and we're invited to bring our issues to the cross. Let's continue to do that as we go throughout this week.

- Bring your sin to the cross.
- Bring your past and your pain to the cross.
- Bring your anxiety to the cross.
- Bring your brokenness to the cross.

KEEP PRAYING

• Pray and ask God to help each you as we continue to understand the significance of the cross in our lives.