



COMPEL GROUPS

Week 5

BREAK THE ICE

How was Easter celebrated in your family growing up? Was it a religious day or a bunnies and candy day?

Chocolate Bunnies-Hollow or Solid? Argue your opinion with passion!

BREAK GROUND

Pastor Patrick described how Jesus was so popular as He entered Jerusalem but within a week He was being crucified on a cross. Don't we sometimes change our opinion of God depending on our life circumstances? Isn't God to blame if our needs aren't being met? Aren't we full of praise when things go our way? Discuss.

The thieves that were crucified with Jesus each had their conclusion of who He was. Putting yourself in their place, what do you think you would have concluded? Why?

DIG DEEPER

How many of your decisions are driven by fear rather than convictions? Our political views, our moral choices, our entertainment selections.

Are you more of a merciful person, a grace person or a justice person? Mercy (not getting what we deserve), grace (getting what we don't deserve) and justice (getting exactly what we deserve). How do you feel that you make those calls?

How can you use the response that Jesus gave the thief, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with Me in Paradise" to help in your choices regarding how to love people?

We each have choices in how we teach the gospel to the people in our lives. Jesus always spoke the truth in love.

Describe a time in your life when you chose truth in love rather than a harsh rebuke. (Disciplining your child, responding to an offense, correction of a friend). What was the result?

PRAY

WEEKLY READING

Thursday, March 11th

Luke 19:28-40; Psalm 33, Proverbs 1:7

Friday, March 12th

Luke 19:41-48; Psalm 110:1-7

Saturday, March 13th

Luke 22:1-23; Psalm 89:27-52

Sunday, March 14th

Luke 22:24 - 71; Psalm 72:1-14

Monday, March 15th

Luke 23:1-25; Psalm 21:1-13

Tuesday, March 16th

Luke 23:26-56; Psalm 132:13-18

Wednesday, March 17th

Luke 24:1-53; Psalm 30:1-12