

Small Group Lesson
"Seven: Finished" Week 5

For the Leader: Jesus' final words from the cross still hold great depth and meaning for our lives. "It is finished" signaled the immanence of Jesus' last breath and a life giving promise to all who receive him into their lives. Jesus finished his mission of revealing the fullness of God's love for us by serving as the once and for all sacrificial lamb for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leaders Note: We have one more message and small group gathering in the "Seven" message series. Please take the time to discuss the following issues if you have not done so already.

- Are we going to continue meeting as group after Easter? If so, when and how often? If not, please report so to Angela Nevling at angela@pathway.church.
- What are we going to do about celebrating the sacrament of the Lords Supper during Holy Week?
 - In our Small Group when we regularly meet?
 - On Maundy Thursday itself, March 29, at someone's house? Are we going to share a meal first? Will children be invited?
 - At the church on Maundy Thursday as a group, March 29, at a specific time between 4-6?
 - Everyone show up when convenient for their own family schedule on Maundy Thursday.
- Who are you inviting to Easter Worship?
- Where are you serving Easter weekend? If someone needs help, contact Angela or encourage group members to stop by the Next Steps area in The Crossing.
- Can any in your group worship at 11:50 on Easter to make room for others at the previous services?

Suggested Group Check In: Thus far, what are your takeaways from this small group experience and the Seven message series? What have you learned? If any, how is your relationship with God different than when you started this Lenten journey?

Opening Prayer:

Memory Verse: "I want to know Christ - yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his suffering, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection of the dead." Philippians 3:10

WATCH THE VIDEO (Time – 11 Minutes)

Scripture Readings and Questions:

John 17:1-4; 19:28-30

Mark 10:45 Luke 4:18-19; 19:10 John 1:29; 10:10; 18:37 | Timothy 1:15 | John 3:8

- Describe in your own words the "It" Jesus finished?
- When it comes to goal setting, are you more of a starter, finisher, over achiever or none of the three? Explain. What have you started for God that you are now going to finish?
- What do you need to do to be living your life more like Jesus, living with Purpose, Focus and Obedience?
- How has suffering played a role in your efforts to be faithful in serving God's mission?
- What will be your action step from this week's message or small group lesson?

Closing Prayer (Ask for Prayer requests and clarify plans for next week)

