

The Big Question

SESSION 4 TAKE-HOME

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES TO MEDITATE ON AND DISCUSS IN THE COMING WEEK:

Choose one of these passages to ponder each day of the coming week. Read each slowly, letting it sink into your spirit deeply.

- **2 Corinthians 5:15:** And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.
- **Colossians 3:23:** Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters.
- **Philippians 4:13:** I can do all this through him who gives me strength.
- **Galatians 2:20:** I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me.
- **Romans 6:4:** We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.
- **1 John 2:5-6:** This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.

QUESTIONS TO THINK ABOUT IN THE COMING WEEK:

- Do you live your life for Jesus, for yourself, or for others?
- Do you do the work God gives you “with all your heart”?
- In what areas of life might you need to ask for God to strengthen you?
- What does being “crucified with Christ” mean?
- If you have been baptized, what does that mean to you?
- What types of situations give you a desire to make a difference in the name of Jesus?

THIS WEEK'S SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

“Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering” (Romans 12:1, *The Message*).

For an entire weekday, track how you spend your time. Write down how much time you spend sleeping, getting ready in the morning, going to school or working, eating, watching TV or gaming, reading, exercising, and more. The next day, take a look at your list. What patterns do you notice? How do you feel about your choices? Are there any changes that you're “willing and ready” to make?