## The Gospel of John

## Leader Guide | Week 7

**NOTE:** For this series, we are going to give you several sections of scripture that you can use in your group. Select only one, or at the most two, of these passages for discussion. Read the passage out loud multiple times. Read it until the group can recount the story, in their own words without missing any major details. (**Objective:** To instill the Word of God into people's hearts.)

Next, ask the four questions that are provided. (**Objective:** To understand something about God. To understand something about man. To realize that the study of the Word of God is about life change. And to learn that the things we are given in the Word of God are meant to be shared.)

When you are ready to close your group, ask the final two questions, then pray.

Leaders, we will use this format over the entire Gospel of John series. However, after 3 or 4 weeks, please let us know what you are experiencing in your group by sending comments to waltwilcoxson@thecrossing.net.

#### **Key Things You Heard**

- Mary, a picture of devotion
- Thomas, disbeliever or realist?
- Simon Peter, the denier

#### Pray

Heavenly Father, We are thankful that you are aware of our circumstances. Nothing escapes your view. You know the beginning from the ending. You are there and you are here. So Father, let us walk faithful in your faithfulness to us. Let us persevere until you intervene or until we see Jesus. In Jesus' name, amen.

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### **Tweetable Moments**

"John wrote so that you might believe and then have life in His (Jesus') name." "Jesus meets people where they are and ministers to them."

### **Questions for Conversation**

Icebreaker: What was the most memorable moment in this week's sermon?

- John 20:10-18
- John 20:24-29
- John 2:1-10
- John 21:11-19
- Follow-up Questions
  - What does the story tell us about God?
  - What does the story tell us about people?
  - If this is God's word for our lives, what changes will I make in response to it? (Express these as, I will, statements. i.e. "I will listen to others before I..."
  - Who am I going to tell.
- Closing questions
  - Where am I content & happy this week?
  - What am I struggling with this week?

Now Go Do It (resources and next steps)

Close the group out with a time of prayer. Pray for our upcoming Christmas, 12 Days of Service, and Christmas Eve Services.