

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

# CROWNED

## ALL HAIL KING JESUS

### DISCUSSION GOAL



*Discuss the reactions of the witnesses of the resurrection of Jesus, what it means to Jesus being the risen King, and the implications of that in our lives.*

### ICE BREAKER



What is your favorite Easter memory?

### TEXT



*Have a member of your group read the passage aloud.*

### Mark 15:37 – 16:8

<sup>37</sup> And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup> And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. <sup>39</sup> And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

<sup>40</sup> There were also women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. <sup>41</sup> When he was in Galilee, they followed him and ministered to him, and there were also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem.

<sup>42</sup> And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, <sup>43</sup> Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.

**(turn to Mark 15 in an ESV bible to continue reading verses 44-47 and 16:1-8)**

### MESSAGE OUTLINE



*This is what our pastoral team observed about the passage.*

**Big Idea:** Jesus is the risen King.

**Key Question:** What do the key witnesses at Jesus' resurrection have to say?

1. The Centurion – Jesus is the true King. (vv. 37-39)
2. Joseph – Jesus is the buried King. (vv. 42-47)
3. The Women – Jesus is the resurrected King. (vv. 1-8)
4. The Young Man – Jesus is the saving King. (v. 6)

## DISCUSSION



- In Mark 15:37-39, we see the Centurion overcome with the reality that Christ truly was the Son of God. Share what Christ's suffering, death, burial, and resurrection mean to you personally. Are there any of those that you struggle with or question?
- In verses 42-47, we see Joseph, a member of the Sanhedrin, receive Jesus' body for burial. Why is witness to the death of Jesus so important? How do we sometimes live as though Jesus is still in the grave rather than as the risen King?
- We see that the first witnesses to Jesus' resurrection are a group of women in Mark 16:1-8. Even though a woman's testimony would have been dismissed during that time, what does this say about the values of God's kingdom? How then should we treat others that God sees as worthy?
- The young man in Mark 16:6 testifies to the resurrection of Jesus. If we claim confidence in the resurrection power of Jesus, how should we then live our lives? How can we testify to Jesus' saving work through our words and actions?
- Read 1 Peter 3:14-17. If someone asked why you believe in the resurrection, how would you respond? What evidences or personal experiences would you share to support the hope you have in Christ?

## LIFE APPLICATION



In this passage, eyewitnesses testify to the truth of Christ's death, burial, and resurrection and how he is the true and saving King. How can you live your life in reflection of Christ being the risen King? Who in your life can you share this good news with? Discuss as a group how you can encourage each other in these efforts.

*Join your ideas below and send a picture to your group to remind everyone of your action steps this week.*

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## PRAYER REQUESTS



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