

JESUS

the Way — the Truth — the Life

A Journey Through the Gospel of John

IceBreaker: What is the most wonderful thing that your mother has done for you?

Introduction *(Read aloud before discussion.)*

This week, we are looking at the incredible moment that Jesus experienced with his mother and best friend while he was hanging on the cross.

Sermon Discussion *(Use as a guide for dialogue; let God lead, and read the verses aloud.)*

John 19:25-27

1. What stands out to you about these few verses?
2. Jesus said a number of things on the cross. All of them are powerful. Why do you think that this interchange with his mother and his best friend is less known than all the other sayings?
3. Travis mentioned that perhaps throughout the history of the church, we have done the easy task of theology and possibly have neglected the sacrificial and rewarding task of honoring those closest to us. What do you think?
4. Talk about how this is the final thing that Jesus said before he announced, “It is finished,” and breathed his last.
5. Why do you think that honoring father and mother is one of the major themes throughout the biblical narrative?
6. What are some reasons why it would be challenging in our modern culture to honor mother (and father)?
7. Notice the phrase, “and Jesus saw his mother”. What would it look like to “see” your mother in this particular season of her journey?

For more conversation, read and discuss...

Ephesians 6:1-3

Mark 7:9-13

Proverbs 23:22-25