# Group Guide

For listening, discussion & reflection

NORTHSTAR CHURCH / SEASON 3 / EPISODE 3



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Northstar Small Groups

# **EPISODE 3**

# **SCRIPTURAL REFERENCES**

- ► Isaiah 61:1-2
- ▶ 1 Kings 17:8-16
- ► Luke 4:16-30
- ▶ 2 Kings 5:1-154
- ▶ Deuteronomy 18:20

#### CHARACTERS

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, Rabbi Benjamin, Aaron, Raphim, Lazarus, Mary & Martha

# The Big Question:

What is your one BIG question from this episode? (What captured your imagination most, and what would you ask God about the events portrayed?)

# **Bring to Group:**

What quote from this episode was the most meaningful/impactful to you? Why?

# **QUESTIONS FOR YOU & GROUP**

- 1. Which characters stood out to you most? Which were most interesting? Most moving?
- 2. This episode begins (and has flashbacks) with Jesus as a boy. Why is it helpful to remember that Jesus was raised by Mary and Joseph? What was meaningful to you about the portrayal of their relationships?
- 3. The episode documents Jesus' return to Narazeth as described in Luke 4:16-30. What did you think of the scenes of the "hometown boy" being famous?
- 4. What was significant about Jesus reading Isaiah 61:1-2 in the synagogue? Jesus found and read that passage. What did Jesus claim after reading it? Why was what Jesus claimed so impossible for them to accept?

# EPISODE 3 QUESTIONS CONTINUED

- 5. Rabbi Benjamin accused Jesus of being a false prophet and invoked Deuteronomy 18:20. How accurately was this portrayed from Luke 4? What about this scene of Jesus being condemned to death impacted you?
- 6. How did you feel seeing the anger in Jesus' friends and the people of Nazareth's' faces? Have you ever gotten angry with Jesus? What is the root of our anger with Him?
- 7. Jesus is shown going to a sealed tomb, which we learn is Joseph's. What is profound about that moment? (Remember that it is not recorded in scripture, but that the creativity displayed can teach us much). Think about:
  - Jesus and His own tomb.
  - Jesus will later instruct people to roll away the stone from Lazarus' tomb. (John 11:39)
- 8. What do you think the bridle will be used for?
- 9. Jesus told Mary and Lazarus at the tomb, "There's no turning back now. Not after today." Are you willing to follow Jesus with that kind of resolve?

#### QUOTES

**"YOU'RE here for salvation?!** (Rabbi Benjamin)

"This isn't going to happen. Not today." - (Jesus)

# **HELPFUL LINKS**

- www.northstarfamily.org Church Web
- www.dontgo.be/prayer Prayer Requests
- <u>www.dontgo.be/groups</u> Small Groups List

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