

CARRY  
*your*  
CROSS



**"WHOEVER WANTS TO BE MY  
DISCIPLE MUST DENY THEMSELVES  
AND TAKE UP THEIR CROSS  
AND FOLLOW ME."**

*Mark 8:34*

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# SESSION

1

# Redemption



## REDEMPTION DEFINED:

Brought back to where you belong

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# NOTES



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# Small Group Questions

## UNDERSTAND

1. What is redemption?

## DISCUSS

2. Is it good to belong to Jesus? Why?
3. How often are you reminded of belonging to Jesus?
4. How might thinking about the fact that “we belong to Jesus” change the way we live?
5. How can we remind ourselves that we belong to Jesus?

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# SESSION

## 2

# Justification



### JUSTIFICATION DEFINED:

Hiding in the righteousness  
of Christ

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# Small Group Questions

## PURPOSE

1. How does Romans 3:10-18 show us what righteousness is? What is righteousness? Why do we need to be made righteous? (*Romans 3:19-20*)
2. How are we made righteous? (*Romans 3:21-22*)

## DISCUSS

3. How might knowing that you're right in God's sight affect you on:
  - a) A good day when you've acted lovingly towards people around you?
  - b) A day you're ashamed of?
4. How would you feel after each of those days?
5. How would you pray at the end of those days?
6. How does being justified affect how you might pray after each of the days?

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## 3

# Propitiation



### PROFITATION DEFINED:

God's righteous anger satisfied.

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# Small Group Questions

## UNDERSTAND

1. **How is atonement made? What needs atoning? Why is atonement needed?** (*Leviticus 16:15-19*)
2. **What's the problem if God justifies us without punishing sin?**
3. **Why is it good news that God punishes sin?**

## DISCUSS

4. **When did atonement happen? What does the frequency tell us about the sacrifice?** (*Leviticus 16:34*)
5. **What is God's final solution to the sin problem?** (*Romans 3:21-26*)
6. **Who is the judge? Who is the justifier? What do you make of that?**
7. **What does God's solution show us about his attitude towards us?**  
(*1 John 2:1-2, 4:10*)

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**SESSION**

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*Following Jesus*

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# Small Group Questions

## DISCUSS

### Redemption

Through the cross, God has power to redeem anyone (*Col 2:13-15*).

1. Do you live as though God could redeem anyone?
2. What might it look like to know that God can redeem those around you?

### Justification

Through the cross, God loves you with the same love he has for Jesus (*Rom 5:1-11*).

3. How does it feel when you fail or are rejected by people? Why?
4. How does it comfort you to know how God views you?

### Carrying our Cross

Through the cross, we no longer live but Christ lives in us (*Gal 2:20*).

5. How should the cross affect the way we view our lives/priorities/choices?

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