



The Passion of Christ

with *Scott Graham*

SESSION ONE

THE PASSION OF CHRIST: REJECTION

Key Scriptures

Isaiah 53:3

Luke 13:34

Opening

Think back to your days in school - were you a part of the "in" crowd or were you an outsider?

Watch the Session 1 Video.

Discuss the following questions:

1. Why do you believe it was so hard for the people of that day to accept Jesus Christ as their Messiah? Are any of those reasons used by people today? Explain.
2. Does it help you to know that Jesus understands the pain of rejection? Explain.
3. Jesus did not reject the physically, ethically, and morally unclean. He will also not reject us today. How does this understanding make you feel?
4. What lessons have you learned from dealing with rejection?
5. Think of a time you extended forgiveness to someone who hurt you. What were the consequences of your action?

Notes:

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SESSION TWO

THE PASSION OF CHRIST: TEMPTED TO GIVE UP

Key Scriptures

Matthew 26:36–39

Opening

Describe a time when you pushed yourselves to the limit either physically, mentally, or emotionally. What made you keep going?

Watch the Session 2 Video.

Discuss the following questions:

1. Why do you think we are more spiritually vulnerable when we feel alone?
2. The speaker discusses three reasons why people oftentimes decide to give up: despair, fear, and doubt. Which of these three do you believe is the most common cause of giving up? Why?
3. What do you think Jesus was feeling on that night as He prayed in the Garden?
4. What Scriptures could you memorize and use in defeating the temptation to give up?
5. "Crisis clouds cognition." Has this statement ever proven to be true in your life? Explain.

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SESSION THREE

THE PASSION OF CHRIST: MOCKED

Key Scriptures

Luke 18:32–33

Matthew 5:11

Opening

Do you agree with the statement, "sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me"? Why or why not?

Watch the Session 3 Video.

Discuss the following questions:

1. Describe a time when you were hurt by the words someone spoke to you.
2. As hard as it is for us to do, how does silence help us when we are being mocked?
3. Has there ever been a time when your stand for righteousness placed you in a position to be mocked by people. How did you handle it? What did you learn?
4. How can a proper understanding of our identity in Christ helps us deal with being mocked?
5. What are some practical steps you can take to allow the Holy Spirit to help you control your tongue?

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SESSION FOUR

THE PASSION OF CHRIST: VICTORY OVER DEATH

Key Scriptures

1 Corinthians 15:53–57

Revelation 1:8

Opening

Think about the first time you had to face the reality of death. What do you remember about that experience?

Watch the Session 4 Video.

Discuss the following questions:

1. "There's one thing we know about life: no body gets out of it alive." How does this realization make you feel?
2. What do you feel is the most frightening aspect of facing death?
3. What are some things people regret when they are near death?
4. How should the resurrection of Jesus remove the fear of death from those of us who live for Him?
5. The speaker references the Latin phrase, "Plus Ultra" or "More Beyond." Believing that there is more beyond this life, what do you most look forward to about a future eternity in Heaven?

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