

Discussion Questions Course 509–3

Large Group

1. We can never clean ourselves up enough. We need a Savior, and who is that?
2. Does anyone who was here last time remember what persecution is?
3. Do you think Jesus had to follow God's plan to save us like a robot?
4. (Isaiah 53:3a) From the video we watched and the discussions we have had, who do you think this verse is describing?
5. Jesus left the glory of Heaven to come to Earth and be mistreated and killed. Why did Jesus choose to do this?

Small Group

Marble Activity

1. In Large Group you were asked to listen and watch carefully for who Stephen saw in the sky as he testified before the angry Jewish leaders. Who did Stephen see and what was He doing?

Teaching

Signpost 1

1. Who is on this Signpost card?
2. The leaders were so angry that they shouted and covered their ears. Why?
3. What did Stephen do as He was being stoned?
4. Who was Stephen imitating by responding in love?
5. What supernatural things did Stephen experience?
6. We must be careful who we choose to imitate or follow. What do many people in the world do when someone hurts them?

Signpost 2

1. When Jesus was betrayed and arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane, we saw two opposite responses; one from Peter and one from Jesus. What are they?
2. Once when Jesus and His disciples were traveling, the Samaritans refused to allow them to rest and travel through their city. Does anyone know why?
3. Two of Jesus' disciples asked permission to call down fire from heaven to destroy those Samaritans. Is this what Jesus taught us to do?
4. When Jesus was put on trial, one of His closest friends denied knowing Him. Can you guess who?
5. What would you do if you were in serious danger, and your best friend said he didn't know you?
6. After Jesus' death and resurrection, did Jesus tell Peter, "I'll never speak to you again!"?

Discipleship Challenge

1. Can anyone tell what folding over this flap on the craft represents?

Additional Activities

Relay Game

1. Have you ever shared the Good News with someone who asked, "What exactly is Jesus saving me from? Or, why do I need to be saved?" What would you answer?
2. How did it feel to exchange your sin for forgiveness and be set free again?