



DISCUSSION GUIDE

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BIG IDEA: Jesus is more than enough.

GROUPS VISION

We believe life transformation happens when we engage with other people, with Jesus as our focus, and take next steps together. A next step is where we Ask, Listen, and Respond to take any action that advances our journey with Jesus.

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KEY VERSE

God's marvelous grace has manifested in person, bringing salvation for everyone. This same grace teaches us how to live each day as we turn our backs on ungodliness and indulgent lifestyles, and it equips us to live self-controlled, upright, godly lives in this present age.

Titus 2:11-12TPT

POTENTIAL NEXT STEP

Sit alone with Jesus this week and consider the question, who is Jesus to me? Then reverse the question and consider who am I to Jesus? Let the Holy Spirit reveal to you that you are a beloved child who is wanted, accepted, and approved.

MAIN POINTS & SCRIPTURES

Easter is a celebration of who Jesus is and what He has done for us. God has put the hope for life in our hearts and Easter is a time when we are drawn back to the hope found in Jesus. **(Ecclesiastes 3:11)** With the busyness of the season sometimes we miss what Easter is about; it's about Jesus, who is more than enough. Jesus is inviting us to come back to Him, and become rooted in His love. To live in the awe and wonder of the life we have in Christ. **(2 Corinthians**

11:3NASB)

1. **Easter is more than a holiday and Jesus is more than a way to heaven.**

Easter is the most relevant story and Jesus is the most relevant person in our lives. **(John 6:68-69)** The Easter story is the beginning of new life and Jesus offers an abundant life that's for today. Jesus came so we could experience the peace of heaven today, not just heaven someday. **(Luke 19:10)** He wants to completely restore the fullness of life to us by His grace. Grace is undeserved favor and supernatural empowerment. Grace is a person and His name is Jesus, available for everyone. **(Titus 2:11-14)** This grace saves us, empowers us to live free, and is more than enough. **(2 Corinthians 12:9TPT)**

2. **The story of Easter is our story.** The reason we think Easter is just a holiday and Jesus is just about getting to heaven when we die, is because we separate Easter and Jesus from the overarching story of humanity. Here are four reasons we resist Jesus' grace for salvation and His empowerment for our everyday lives:

- a) We think we are good enough. We may be better than others, but without Jesus we will never be fully whole or fully alive, we will always be missing something. **(Romans 3:10)**
- b) We think we are too bad. We can't out sin, out run, or hide from the love, grace, and presence of God. **(Romans 8:1)**
- c) We're not ready yet. If God is good enough for eternal life, than He's good enough for abundant life today. **(2 Corinthians 6:2)**
- d) We're still searching. We don't have to look for Jesus because He has come to find us. **(Acts 4:12)**

3. **Jesus is drawing us to Himself.** Jesus came, not because we're good, but because He's good. We were more than enough for Jesus to come and we are the most relevant thing to Jesus. Jesus is more than enough for us.

DISCUSSION

1. The grace of Jesus is more than enough for today. What area(s) of your life do you need His grace? (See point #1)
2. Jesus is inviting us to come back to Him and live in awe and wonder. What are some practical ways you can turn your eyes back to Jesus and live in awe and wonder of who He is and what He has done? (See summary)
3. **What is the Holy Spirit saying to you?**
4. **What is your next step?**