

WARM UP QUESTIONS: What is the most you've sacrificed for someone?

READ: Isaiah 53: 4-11

FOCUS: Christ died for us.

OBSERVE:

- Christ died for us because of our sin. We all have in one way or another turned to our own way from God. And that is sin. Sin is replacing God with a god of our own choosing. It is loving, pursuing, worshiping and centering our lives around someone or something else other than God. Sin is the degodding of God.
- Christ died for us as our substitute. He was pierced for our transgression and crushed for our iniquities. Because of this, the perfect righteousness of Jesus was placed onto us. As a result, we get what Jesus deserved a glorious unending life of perfect communion with God.
- Christ died for us to be reconciled with God. Because Christ died for us to reconcile us to God, not only do we have peace with God, we are also able to have Biblical peace in its fullness.

REFLECT:

- Have you considered what Jesus dying for you means and how you should respond to that fact?
- Do you struggle to feel that you are in good standing with God?

TAKING ACTION:

- Remember the great price Jesus paid to redeem us from sin and make us right with God the Father.
- Invite others to church for Easter so that they, too, may come to know Jesus, who died for them.

PRAY:

Jesus, thank You for Your all emcompassing sacrifice on the cross! Thank You that you have purchased us at a price that none of us could ever have paid. Holy Spirit, help us to love and worship You. Give us favor in seeing others hear and receive the good news of Your sacrifice, and may we also see many come to know and follow You as Lord and Savior. Amen!

