## Lent: Discussion Questions (3/3/24)

Week 4: A Suffering King

Instructions: A life group is a family growing in Jesus together (worship), caring for each other (community), and BLESSing our neighbors together (mission). Start with a couple of the CONNECT questions. Then read the Scriptures and discuss. Make sure to conclude by applying the passage and finishing with a time of prayer.

## **CONNECT TOGETHER** (choose 1-2)

- 1. What is something you are thankful for this week?
- 2. How have you seen Jesus at work in the world around you? How have you been able to join him? Remember, God works through small stories.
- 3. Are you facing a challenge right now?
- 4. From Sunday's message, is there a thought or idea that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, or surprised you?

## **READ Mark 15:15**

- 1. Have someone retell the passage in their own words.
- 2. Does anything stand out as surprising, interesting, confusing, or powerful?
- 3. What kind of attitudes and actions did Jesus' disciples expect him to portray? What attitudes and actions did he portray?
- 4. What teachings from Jesus' ministry do you see demonstrated by his willingness to be arrested, humiliated, and crucified?
- 5. What do you learn about people in this passage? (yourself, others)
- 6. What do you learn about God in this passage? (his character, his ways, etc.)

## LIVE IT OUT

- 1. During this Lenten season, what attitudes or actions are being exposed in you that are NOT like Jesus?
- 2. During Lent, how are you being formed into Jesus' image? Are you using the Lenten Prayer Guide from provided? (avalonchurch.org/resources). What is God speaking in your life?
- 3. In what other ways can you apply today's passage? How is this passage calling our group to live out God's mission to bless others?



<u>PRAY</u>