

BEYOND SUNDAY

We Believe — 4.13.25

Exploring the Healing and Reconciliation of Jesus — Mark Turney

- 1. Isaiah 59:2 "But your iniquities have separated you from your God..."**
Question: What does it mean to be "separated from God," and how have you personally experienced that separation?
- 2. Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."**
Question: How does sin affect more than just our behavior—how does it affect our identity, our relationships, and our sense of peace?
- 3. Matthew 26:56 "Then all the disciples deserted him and fled."**
Question: What emotions come up when you hear that Jesus was abandoned by those He loved most? Can you relate to that experience in your own life?
- 4. Luke 4:18 "He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free..."**
Question: How do you respond to the idea that Jesus didn't come to punish, but to heal? What does healing mean in a spiritual sense?
- 5. John 15:5–6 "I am the vine; you are the branches...apart from me you can do nothing."**
Question: How does the image of a branch separated from a tree help you understand sin in a deeper way?

6. Philippians 2:8 "He humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!"

Question: In what ways do you see Jesus holding onto humanity even through suffering, betrayal, and death?

7. Luke 23:34 "Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.'"

Question: Jesus said, "Father, forgive them." How does this challenge or comfort you in your own experiences with hurt or injustice?

8. 2 Corinthians 5:21 "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us..."

Question: How do you understand the "great exchange" described in 2 Corinthians 5:21? What does it mean for your everyday life?

9. Ephesians 2:8–9 "For it is by grace you have been saved...not by works, so that no one can boast."

Question: What does it look like to receive God's healing and forgiveness "open-handed"? Why do we often try to earn something that's already a gift?

10. Revelation 3:20 "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock..."

Question: What step of trust is Jesus inviting you into right now? How can this group support you in that journey?