

## Weekly Discussion Guide – 03-29-26

“Three Crosses, Two Trees, One Torn Curtain”

Text: Luke 23:32-49

1. Have you ever done something humorously, shall we say, less than intelligent (e.g. touching a Giant Stinging Tree)?
2. We learned about two trees—the Giant Stinging Tree and the cunjevoi—and how they point us to the gospel. Are there other examples in nature that seem to point us to God and the good news of Scripture?
3. We don't follow Jesus by *trying harder* but by *relying on God*. What are some differences between trying harder and relying on God?
4. Read Romans 6:1-11. Jesus frees us not just from the guilt of sin, but from its power. How is our life as followers of Jesus different because we're not just free from the guilt of sin, but also the power of sin?
5. Where in your life right now do you feel “stuck” in a pattern of sin or struggle? What would it look like to believe that Jesus has actually given you power over that—not just forgiveness? How would you live your life differently if you deeply believed that?
6. Throughout this sermon series, there was an underlying theme of following Jesus *where* Jesus goes *at the pace* Jesus goes? Is that hard or easy for you? If hard, what part(s) of it is hard?
7. Read Romans 8:9-11. How do you live as someone guided by the truth that “the Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you” (Romans 8:11, NLT)?
8. What will stand out to you from this sermon series?
9. Pastor Hunter talked about how he adopted a physical posture of relying on God. What can you do this week to rely more deeply this week?