

Sunday Takeaways March 29, 2020

The following are discussion questions based on our sermon, Beaten, in our Crucial sermon series on Sunday, March 29th. These questions can be used as a resource to guide discussion after viewing the message from our pastor. We hope these will be a great resource to you as you come together to dig deeper into God's word.

- 1. What do you think was the main point of Laura Allen's "Beaten" sermon?
- 2. Laura Allen talked about the lure of "royalty" and the fascination we have with it. What about royalty is attractive to you? Why?
- 3. In Isaiah 53, the prophet predicts the suffering the Messiah (Jesus) would have to endure. He shares that "like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth." Why do you think Jesus chose to endure this brutal treatment and remain silent when He had the power, at His disposal, to stop it at any point?
- 4. Have you ever been in a situation where you were treated unfairly, yet did not respond because not doing so would produce a "greater good?" Explain.
- 5. Mark tells us that the centurion who saw Jesus mocked and crucified, at the foot of His cross exclaimed, "truly this was the son of God." What do you think the centurion saw that convinced Him of this?
- 6. In what ways can we emulate Jesus' actions and demonstrate that same type of "selfless" nature in these scary and uncertain times?

Scripture References:

Isaiah 53 Mark 15:15-39 Romans 5:6-8 Hebrews 2:17,18; 4:15; 12:2-4