

# WEEK 6

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

# PLOT TWIST

Whether it's your favorite movie, book, or reality show, you know there's nothing like a good plot twist! Those storytelling surprises can keep us entertained, but they can do a lot more than that too. A good plot twist can make us rethink everything we thought we knew, see things in a brand new light, and get excited about what might happen next. That's never more true than in the most surprising and significant plot twist in history — Jesus' death and resurrection. In this six-week series, we'll look at six surprising stories from Jesus' death, resurrection, and last days on earth. These stories will show us that, when life takes unexpected turns, **God gives us help**. And even when we've messed up or are ready to give up, **Jesus never turns away from us**, but **gives us life, gives us hope, is with us**, and **gives us another chance**.

## THIS WEEK

### BIG IDEA

When we mess up, Jesus gives us another chance.

### BIBLE

John 21:15-19; 1 Peter 2:23-25;  
Romans 6:11-14

## QUESTIONS

- Tell us your most embarrassing story — or make one up. We'll try to guess if it's true or not.
- When you mess up, what do you think the difference is between feeling embarrassed and feeling guilty?
- What are some of the ways we can mess up in ways that hurt others? What about ways that hurt God?
- When you mess up, how much do you think it matters if you did it on purpose or not? Why do you think that?
- If you were Jesus, how would you have wanted to respond to Peter when you saw him again? Why do you think Jesus responded the way he did?
- What kind of an impact do you think that conversation with Jesus had on Peter? What impact would it have had on you?
- Has God ever given you another chance after you messed up? What did you learn from that experience?
- When you mess up, which do you struggle with most: admitting guilt, rejecting shame, or living like you've been forgiven? Tell us more!
- Read Romans 6:11-14. If Jesus is always going to forgive us, why shouldn't we just do whatever we want?
- This week, what's one way you're going to either ask for, or accept, God's forgiveness?