

The Victory of Jesus

Group Questions for March 15, 2026 (from The Crux Sermon Series)

Welcome & Check-In (10 min)

- Icebreaker question: If you could instantly defeat one everyday annoyance forever (slow Wi-Fi, traffic, junk email, etc.), what would it be?
- Where did you see God at work in your life since we last met?

FOLLOWING JESUS: Scripture & Reflection (45 min)

- Read Colossians 2:13-15 out loud. What words or phrases stand out to you? What questions do you have?
- In the sermon, Ryan said the world is not just broken, it's contested. Do you typically view the world this way? How does recognizing a spiritual battle change the way you view struggles in your life or in the world?
- Paul says Jesus disarmed, disgraced, and defeated the powers at the cross. As a group, define what each of those means. Which of those images is most meaningful or surprising to you, and why? How would you explain to someone the reality that Satan and his powers are defeated, but that "the devil prowls around like a roaring lion seeking someone to devour" (1 Pt. 5:8)?
- The sermon suggested that Jesus' victory is promised but not automatic; it must be received and applied. What might it look like for someone to actually live from Christ's victory instead of living as if they're still captive?

IN COMMUNITY: Sharing & Support (15 min)

- What are your thoughts about the way the Early Church practiced exorcism and deliverance?
- As a group, review the pathway to freedom that Ryan explained on Sunday. What are your thoughts about it?
- What is one area of your life in which you want to experience greater freedom? What is Jesus saying to you about his victory on the cross and the way it applies to your life?
- How do you feel about what Jesus is saying?
- What's one way your group can support you as you follow Jesus? (For example: prayer, encouragement, accountability, helping you walk through repentance or renunciation.)

ON MISSION (10 min)

- What are you going to do in response to where you live, work, learn, or play?
- Is there a step of repentance, renunciation, or realignment God is inviting you to take?
- Who will you share this with?
- As a group, make a list that you revisit each week.

Prayer (10 min)