

Session 5 | John 19

Use these questions to guide your discussion. Don't feel like you must go through all of them. Make sure you take time to talk through any other questions and observations from either the sermon or the video lesson that your group identifies.

- When it comes to unhindered obedience like Mary's, what part of your life needs to be reconfigured to fit into the kind of obedience she exemplified?
- Practicing humility isn't always desirable. It's counterintuitive to our humanity. In what ways does humility need to be practiced more often in your life? Be specific.
- This video gives us a peek into the parent-child relationship of Mary and our Messiah. What aspects of this relationship are evident in your life, whether as parent or child, and which aspects elude you?
- Culture has a way of seeping into our faith and how we think and live.
 It's typically a slow leak that is hardly detectable until it has a
 cumulative impact. As mentioned in the video, Jesus tends to disrupt
 cultural norms. What are some other accounts in the Bible where
 Jesus did this? In what ways do you see culture seeping into your
 faith? Your life? Your speech? Your thoughts?
- We tend to shy away from discomfort and others' pain. We retract
 when it starts to affect our delicate sensibilities. What are some
 practical ways you can serve others despite doing just that? How can
 you grow that spiritual muscle to make sure that you're ready when
 God calls you to serve to that degree?
- Sometimes we elevate our earthly families over our heavenly one. How
 could putting these in their proper places and having a godly
 perspective impact the church? And thinking more broadly, what
 mindset is espoused in scripture regarding the church being God's
 family regardless of differences in ethnicity, nationality, social class,
 and gender? What are some ways to refine your treatment of church
 family to resemble this ideal?

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