

# Cross

## It Doesn't Make Sense

Make a list of some things that don't make sense. For instance:

- Why do people say, "heads up" when you should duck?
- Why do we drive on parkways and park in driveways?
- Why are wise men and wise guys opposites?

## Think Like Jesus

- In what ways did the Cross not make sense?
- As horrific as the physical suffering was on the Cross, separation from God was even worse (**Mat 27:46**).
  - ▶ For a Christ-follower, a sense of separation from God is more distressing than physical suffering (**Psa 22:1-6**). For you, what words best describe separation from God?
  - ▶ What can cause you to experience a sense of separation from God (**Isa 59:1-2**)?
- Until the Cross, Jesus had never been apart from the Father.
  - ▶ Why did Jesus agree to this separation (**2Cor 5:21**)?
  - ▶ What have you sacrificed for those who are separated from God?
  - ▶ In your relationships, what can help you think like Jesus?
- It is our privilege to tell others about Christ's victory over sin and death (**Psa 22:30-31**). Pray for opportunities to tell others about Christ's victory over sin and death.

## Dig a Little Deeper: Wild Animals

When we leave God out of our lives, we behave like wild animals. For each animal, list a behavior that describes how we behave without God.

<i>Animal</i>	<i>Scripture</i>	<i>Behavior</i>
bull	<b>Psa 22:12</b>	
lion	<b>Psa 22:13</b>	
dog	<b>Psa 22:16</b>	

## Application Exercise: Pray for Open Doors

- Pray for open doors to tell others your faith story.
- Ask God to give you the words to share the gospel in a way that is effective, compelling, and humble.
- If God opens a door, walk through it.

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