

# INVINCIBLE JOY

Group Guide:  
Week 4

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## CONNECT BREAK THE ICE AND GET PEOPLE TALKING

- Have you ever had something you got completely obsessed with?
- What's your most precious possession? (You can't say "Jesus," but you get points for trying!)

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## INTRODUCTION

This week we want to appreciate the beauty and glory of Christ together, and discuss how our lives can and should be changed by that! This week's group guide is a little sparser than usual—and intentionally so. Our hope is that your discussion will be free-ranging and give your group space to explore the Bible for themselves. We've suggested some open ended questions below, but the goal throughout is to have a group-lead discussion that revolves around Jesus.

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## READ AND DISCUSS

Our passage this week is Paul reflecting on the life-changing importance of Christ and the resurrection. Encourage your group to explore this passage and reflect on those things as well! Some possible questions are below.

READ: Philippians 3:1-11

DISCUSS: Re-read verse 8—what strikes you about what Paul is saying here? What do you think allows Paul to say this?

READ: Philippians 3:12-21

DISCUSS: Re-read verses 13-14. What is the "it" Paul is talking about when he says, "I press on to make it my own"? What is the goal Paul is straining toward? Why do you think that is?

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## PRAY

Our prayer for our church this week is that “we may know Christ and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible we may attain the resurrection from the dead.” Take a moment to pray that prayer over one another and over yourselves, and listen to hear if God has anything to say in response.

### **Discipleship Check-In**

- Have you prayed and read your Bible consistently the past week?
- Who is someone you're praying to share Jesus with this week, and what's one way you can love them well?