

# Community Group Leader Guide

For the Week Of 3.24.24

Sermon Series: The Beauty of Jesus

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## Announcements:

### **Bloom Ministry**

April 5, 2024 • 6:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. and April 6, 2024 • 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Location: c|Life Forney campus, 204 FM1641, Forney, TX 75126

We are expecting God to move and work in amazing ways over these two days! SPACE IS LIMITED, SO ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO SIGN UP QUICKLY! Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, and 8:00 a.m. on Saturday.

[clifec.com/women](https://clifec.com/women)

Easter Promotion: This week, we distributed invitation cards for our Easter services. If you're praying for friends and family regarding their salvation, this is a perfect opportunity to invite them to church. Consider discussing with your group which service everyone plans to attend; perhaps suggest attending the Saturday service if available at your campus.

## Icebreaker:

Have you ever attempted to fix something... only to break it further? Talk about a time that your repair skills backfired on you.

## Quick Review:

We're three weeks deep in a series called 'The Beauty of Jesus'. In this series we're looking at the awe-inspiring character of Jesus and what exactly makes him so compelling. In week one, we learned how all of creation was testifying to Jesus as creator and how all of the beauty around us is derivative of the divine! In week two, we were reminded about Jesus sleeping on the boat and how that wasn't a commentary on his indifference but a beautiful evidence of his confidence and control. This week was all about how the beauty of Jesus is found in how he redeems the broken areas of our life. There's nothing too broken for Jesus!

## Make It Personal:

1. What are some examples of brokenness in our world that often go unnoticed or unacknowledged?
2. Share a time when you witnessed unexpected beauty emerging from a broken situation in your own life or in the life of someone you know.

## Go Deeper:

1. **Read Mark 10:46-52** together. What observations can you make about the story of Bartimaeus and his desperate cry for mercy? How can we cultivate a similar attitude of humility and dependence on God in our lives?
2. Share your thoughts on the importance of sharing personal stories of brokenness and redemption, as exemplified by Jesus' command to the healed man in Luke 8:39.
3. How can we create a safe and supportive environment within our faith community for individuals to openly share their struggles and experiences of brokenness?

## Action Steps:

1. **Be honest with God:** God wants to hear from you about the areas of brokenness within your life. It's from that emotional honesty that spiritual intimacy is birthed.
2. **Pursue healing:** We're all broken in some area... but we don't have to stay that way. Pursue healing in the areas of your life where brokenness has manifested itself. Could be reconciling a relationship, seeking professional counsel, forgiving someone of their wrongs, etc.
3. **Meditate on John 9:1-7, Luke 8:35-39, Mark 10:46-52:** This weeks sermon focused on three main stories demonstrating Jesus' beauty towards brokenness. Read them over and allow each passage to remind you of the truth of the Beauty of Jesus.

## Prayer Requests:

1. Continue to pray for our Easter services! That God would stir the hearts of believers and that the lost would be reached with the Gospel.
2. Continue to pray for Bloom, our women's conference! Pray that God would use it to encourage the hearts of women in our churches and beyond.

Feel free to use this guide to facilitate discussion in your community group. Modify the questions as you see fit.