

Additional Questions for Small Groups

Exploration Questions

- What basic truths about God do you find in this passage?
- What does this passage teach you about what is important to Jesus?
- What does God think in this passage, and what do His thoughts tell you about who God is?
- What does this passage tell you about the character of God?
- How does this passage demonstrate God's mercy and grace?
- What about God in this passage surprises you?
- How does this passage change the way you think about God?
- What is important to God in this passage?
- How does God help people to be the people He wants them to be in this passage?
- What evidence of God's love do you see in this passage?
- How does God love and care for people in this passage?
- How did God meet people's needs in this passage?
- What does this passage say about God's character?
- What spiritual gifts does God give people in this passage?
- Does the Lord relate to people differently at the end of this passage than at the beginning? To what do you attribute the differences?

Application Questions

- How does this passage help you see God's love more clearly in your own life?
- If God were like this all the time, how do you think your life would be different?
- How did the Lord sustain this Biblical character or people to whom this passage is written through their time of difficulty? How has God sustained you through times of difficulty, and how might He use you to help sustain others through times of difficulty?
- What does the Lord give to people in this passage, and what has He given to you recently?
- How is God challenging the person(s) in this passage, and how is He challenging you in similar ways?
- What does God give to the people in this passage, and what has the Lord given to you recently?
- How is God calling you to change now?
- What lesson is there for you in this passage?
- How did God respond to the people's actions in this passage, and how does He respond to you when you act that way?
- What does our study of this passage teach you about how to study the Bible on your own?
- How does this passage give you hope for the future?
- Does this passage give you any ideas about how you might worship God?
- What does this passage teach you about what it means to live as a disciple of Jesus?
- How does this passage help you become more like Jesus?
- What does this passage show you about how we can be more faithful followers of Jesus?