



## **PART 5: A KING LIKE NO OTHER**

### **INTRODUCTION**

In the first century, the cross was a symbol of suffering and shame. In this series, we'll talk about how it represents an empowering invitation to a completely different way of life.

### **KEY SCRIPTURE**

Luke 23:44-45

John 19:30

Matthew 27:51-52

Mark 15:39

1 Corinthians 15:3-8

Acts 3:12-15

Acts 3:19

Acts 4:4-14

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. Have you ever considered that there was a short period of time between the arrest of Jesus, when all of his followers abandoned him, and when Jesus appeared to his disciples after his resurrection, that there were zero followers of Jesus in the world? What do you think the disciples were thinking and feeling during that time?
2. What happened in the few short weeks after the resurrection of Jesus to increase the number of followers of Jesus from zero to thousands? What about in the few short years after that to increase the number from thousands to hundreds of thousands, and eventually to millions?
3. Read Acts 4:12-14. Where did the courage of Peter and John come from? Do you live your everyday life with that same level of courage? Why or why not?
4. How has Jesus changed your life?
5. Read Acts 3:19. How have you experienced times of refreshing from the Lord? If you haven't had this experience, would you consider turning from your sin and turning to Jesus today?

**Application Prayer:** Lord Jesus, I turn from my sin and to you. I ask you to forgive my sins and give me new life in you. You are my Lord from now on, that times of refreshing may come from you.