

Why Did **Jesus** Die?

Admin

Introduce any new guests. Pass around the registration list. Add any new names and contact details and correct any mistakes from the previous session.

Key Concept

If we are honest, we all have to admit that we do things we know are wrong.

This week we are looking at the problem of sin, God's solution, and the result of Jesus' death. We may have heard that Jesus died on the cross, but we are left asking the question, "Why did He die?" Does Jesus' death really have relevance to our lives today? Why are we so good at rationalizing our mistakes and feeling superior to others?

Really listen for what the guests have to say around this pivotal week of Alpha.

Questions for discussion

This is often the session when the subject of "suffering" arises (see *Searching Issues* chapter "Why Does God Allow Suffering?").

1. What did you think or feel about the talk?
2. What does the word "forgiveness" mean to you?
3. Have you ever had to forgive anyone? How did you do it?
4. What does the word "sin" mean to you?

Additional question (if needed):

5. What is your reaction to Jesus' death?

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