

# GROUP GUIDE

**Conversation Starter** You are trapped in an elevator for 24 hours. Who do you want to be trapped with and why?

**Worship Together** Spend a few moments in worship. You can sing together, read a Psalm, etc.  
Recommended Song: "King of my Heart" (YouTube Link: [xr.church/song5](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xr.church/song5))

## Review Your Week

- How did I act on what God told me to do over the last week?
- Where have I noticed God at work?

**Watch** Recap of "Jesus-Shaped Life" week 5 on the [Crossroads App](#) or [xr.church/jesusshapedlife](https://www.xr.church/jesusshapedlife)

**Read** Matthew 25:31-46. Spend a few moments in prayer, asking God to guide your conversation together. Then break into groups of 3 to discuss the following questions.

## Group Discussion Questions

1. What injustice or need in the world stirs you most? In prayer, ask God how He feels about this issue, and what He wants you to do in response.

2. Which aspect of being a servant is easiest for you? Hardest?

Serve any need      Serve without expectation of return      Serve unnoticed

3. Share a time you felt loved or cared about because someone met a need of yours.

4. Which of these four categories describe your participation in the racial divide?

Active Racist      Passive Racist      Beginning Reconciler      Advocate

5. In Matthew 25, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." How have you cared for the "least of these?"

6. Why are good works and good deeds inseparable in expanding God's Kingdom?

**Act on It** Spend 5-10 minutes alone reflecting on the scripture, discussion, the message, and your time with God. Pray and ask God to speak to you. Finally, complete the Response section and use the space below to record your answers.

## Response

a. What stood out the most from this week's readings, message, discussion, and prayer time? Where is God asking me to focus my attention this week?

b. What will I do in response?

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**Share and Pray** Take a moment and share what you wrote down. What questions, concerns, or insights might you have regarding what God is asking you to do this week? Spend time praying for one another. Pray to be empowered by His Spirit to take action this week on what each person wrote down.

**Pray for the Open Chair** Take an open chair and close by praying that God would fill it with someone who needs to experience His love and power through the group next week.

