



# SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

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### BOTTOM LINE

Trust who God is, even when you don't understand.

### SCRIPTURE

*"Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine" (Luke 22:42 NLT).*

### GOAL OF SMALL GROUP

To remind students that they can be honest and real with God about everything they're facing, and that they can trust God with the outcome of those situations.

### THINK ABOUT THIS

Leaders—based on their life experiences, chances are you have students who will have a harder time than others trusting God. Be careful not to diminish those situations or make them feel guilty or shameful about their lack of trust. Instead, be open, attentive, and encouraging as you remind them that, despite all they've been through, God can still be trusted.

**Create meaningful conversation. Adjust the questions as needed, and don't feel like you need to answer all of them.**

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Tell us about a time when you made up your mind about someone or something, and nothing could change your mind or opinion.
2. Have you ever thought something positive or negative about somebody and then later on you found out that your assumption was wrong?
3. When has somebody thought something or made an assumption about you that was wrong? How did that make you feel?
4. How would you define trust? Is there anyone in your life right now who you trust one hundred percent?
5. Why is it difficult sometimes to view God as someone you can trust? How does trusting God affect the way you talk to Him?
6. Do you think your view of God impacts your relationship with Him? If so, how?
7. What's one assumption about God you can change that would make it easier to be open and honest with Him?

### TRY THIS

Leaders—start a text thread this week with your students that focuses on seeing God's character and the things we know to be true about Him in the middle of any challenging things we face this week. That text could go something like this:

"Hey everyone. Last time we met we said we could trust who God is, even when we don't understand. Here's an example of how I'm putting this into practice this week: [Leader share.] I'd love to hear if anyone else has a story to share! Even small moments trusting God can be encouraging for all of us to hear."