## Cultivate Reflection Guide

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Our Reflection Guide is a tool to help you grow spiritually wise, relationally kind and emotionally healthy. Use it to reflect and respond to the weekend message as you cultivate personal spiritual growth, lead your community group discussion or start a conversation with a trusted friend as you grow together. Pair it with your bible, a journal or any resource that helps you learn. It's not about getting through the content, but getting the content through you!

Cultivate Truth: While Passover can feel like a tradition on a calendar, the practical application for us is that God made one way to rescue us from our sin and it was through the shedding of His son's blood. The depth of that love deserves the depth of our devotion. But this... even when we're not devoted, that love still covers us. Take some time to reflect on the truth of what Jesus has accomplished for you. Respond to God.

The Path with Guard Rails

Read: Isaiah 48:17 NLT

Dig Deeper Opportunity: 2 Thessalonians 3:3, Isaiah 41:10, 1 Corinthians 10:13

**Reflect:** We end up in the wrong place at the wrong time when we lack guidance. Think of a time in your life when you ended up someplace [physically, spiritually, emotionally or relationally] that you would rather not have been. In hindsight, what did you learn about yourself? About God? About others?

**Live it Out:** God is faithful and when we seek His guidance, He shows us the way out or the way through. What are some boundaries or guardrails in your life that keep you on God's path? Are there any additional guardrails you need to build around your heart, mind or life SO THAT you stay close to God?

Jesus Has Always Been the Plan

Read: Isaiah 43:11 ESV, Romans 8:1-4 NLT

Roman's Road: Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8, Romans 6:23, Romans 10:9-10,

**Be REAL:** God has always had a plan to save us from ourselves and it has always been Jesus. Is Jesus where you first turn when you need to find your way? If so, describe what it looks like for you to draw near to Him. If you're turning elsewhere, where and what are you finding there?

Keep in mind... Jesus does not speak shame or guilt over us, but it's by truth that we are set free.

**Respond:** Read the verses in Roman's Road – a clear path set out in God's word that points us and others to the saving grace – the good news – of the gospel. Which of these verses do you need to be reminded are for you today?

**Live it Out:** Is there anyone in your life at risk of running out of time to choose Jesus? You have the gift of good news to give, and you can give it this Easter at Sandals Church. Make the invite!

Cultivate Prayer: Father, thank you for creating a path out of the darkness and into the light. Thank you for the gift of your son and the promise of my life found when He laid His down. Remind me that your word is steady, unchanging and true, and it's an ever-present light for my path. Help me to stay on the path that you've created so that I can live in the blessings you have for me and point others to the good news that you can save them too.