

Can I Trust...?

Community Group Leaders Guide

Luke 4:16-30 /// Week of October 8

Today's big idea: We can trust Jesus.

**Have fun with the icebreaker.**

- Talk about an experience you had at a reunion (family, high school, etc.) or talk about why you avoid them.
- Review the Community Group Guidelines together.
- Someone pray that God would help us hear from him.

Head

**This is a great story for Bible Storytelling.**

- Use the Bible Storytelling technique to tell the story of Jesus in his hometown.
- Retell the story together as a group.
- Read the story from Luke 4:16-30 in the Bible.
- What do we learn here about Jesus?
- What do we learn about the people of Nazareth?
- What made it hard for the people to trust Jesus?

Heart

**These questions get progressively more intense. Be intentional to read the room and follow up with necessary outside of group.**

- What would the people have needed do differently in order to trust Jesus?
- Do you generally trust people and how does that impact how you trust Jesus?
- Would Jesus say that you trust him? Why or why not?

Hands

**People usually lack trust because of previous stress. Stress usually inhibits creativity. If discussion is slow you could brainstorm ideas as a group that could help anyone trust Jesus more. Be careful not to fix/rescue individuals with personal advice though.**

- What would you need to do differently in order to trust Jesus more?
- Think of someone you know that doesn't trust Jesus. How could you help that person trust Jesus more?
- Pray for one another and for the faith to trust Jesus more.

Next Week

**Be intentional to ask others to find a place to serve the group. Encourage group members to share the Bible story, pray at the beginning or end, bring a snack or drinks, take attendance or even lead the icebreaker, guidelines or discussion questions.**

Can I Trust the Church?

Acts 4:32-5:6