

# Is Jesus Worth It?

## Questions:

- If you're a Christian, do you ever look at the lives of people who aren't following Jesus, and think their lives look better, easier, or more appealing than yours?
- Christians would generally say that following Jesus is worth it! But many of us battle with that from time to time. In what ways do you have to battle to believe it in your life?

## Read Psalm 73:1-14

- Asaph, the writer of this Psalm, highlights some things that make him feel like God is being unfair. Have you ever felt that way?

## Read Psalm 73:15-28

- What is it that transforms Asaph's perspective?
  - *Note to leader: the presence and nearness of God in the present; the big picture of eternity with God; and escaping His righteous judgement.*
- The Psalms (e.g. Psalm 73), and the Bible in general, are full of examples of people fighting to keep trusting God. Often the Psalmists express their struggles with surprising honesty. How easy do you find it to honestly express your battles of faith to God?

## Read Philippians 3:8 & Matthew 13:44

- Do these two verses reflect how you live your life? Why or why not?

## Read Psalm 73:28 again

*"But as for me, it is good to be near God."*

- Do you ever find yourself loving the gifts (ie, things God can do for you) more than the giver (God)?

*"I will tell of all your deeds."*

- This whole Psalm encourages believers to keep the big picture of eternity in mind, and it finishes with a pledge to tell others about God. How should this 'big picture' perspective shape our evangelism?