

**Argyle LifeGroup Discussion Guide**  
**Week 7**  
**“The Story of Jesus: New Beginnings”**

1. Why is it important when Jesus came to us, He was completely God and at the same time, He was completely man?

2. Read Matthew 3:16 (NIV)  
16 “As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water.”

Why was it important for Jesus to be baptized?

3. Why is it important for us to be baptized by immersion after we have become a Christian?

4. Why do you think Jesus used parables when He taught?

5. Discuss this statement:  
“In every genuine Christian’s life there will be life-change. There will be some evidence of spiritual fruit.”

6. Discuss this statement:  
“The truth can be found through the small gate on the narrow road.”

7. Read Mark 8:34 (NIV)  
34 Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said:  
“Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.”

What does it mean to take up your cross and follow?

8. Discuss this statement:  
“In the earthly story, it seems we will lose our life, but in the heavenly story, we actually find true life.”

9. Discuss this statement:

“It's important that we never forget,  
that we never get over His ultimate sacrifice for us.  
It's when we forget,  
that we become full of self pity and pride.  
May the cross always break our heart.”

10. The church people always criticized Jesus  
for hanging out with the sinners.

This is Jesus' reply:

Luke 19:10 (NCV)

“The Son of Man came to find lost people and save them.”

Discuss

11. Read Matthew 9:12-13 (NCV)

When Jesus heard them, he said,

“It is not the healthy people who need a doctor, but the sick.”

Go and learn what this means:

‘I want kindness more than I want animal sacrifices.’

“I did not come to invite good people but to invite sinners.”

Then discuss this statement: “The church is not a museum for the saints  
but a hospital for the sick.”

12. What does it mean to “Invest & Invite”?