

DAILY **BIBLE** READING

**M:** Matthew 27:24-26  
**Tu:** Matthew 27:27-31  
**W:** Matthew 27:32-44  
**Th:** Matthew 27:45-56  
**F:** Matthew 27:57-61  
**S:** Proverbs 27:5-6

SONGS for **WORSHIP**

“Running”  
*by Austin Stone Worship*

“Great Things”  
*by Phil Wickham*

**DISCUSSION** for GROUPS/FAMILIES

1. Read Proverbs 17:17, Proverbs 27:5-6, and John 15:12-13 then spend some time recapping what you heard Sunday – what stood out to you?
2. What are some characteristics you look for in a friend?
3. Why is love important in a friendship?
4. Are there times where it is difficult to love a friend? Describe some of those times.
5. How does adversity help us to see who our friends are?
6. Why is honesty important in a friendship?
7. What are some reasons we might be reluctant to be honest with our friends?
8. Has there ever been in a time in your life where a friend was honest with you and in the moment, it hurt, but their honesty with you actually turned out to be helpful and healing? If you're comfortable, describe that time.
9. Why is sacrifice important in a friendship?
10. All of us have friends who have let us down and there will be plenty of times where we will be the friend who let's others down. However, Jesus never lets us down. He fulfills love, honesty, and sacrifice perfectly. How does this encourage you?
11. Close your time by repeating the memory verse.

BIBLE VERSE TO **MEMORIZE** THIS WEEK

*A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.*  
**Proverbs 17:17**