Small Group Questions:

Break the Ice:

- 1. When was a time that you were in complete darkness?
- 2. How did you react?

What do I think?

- 1. In your own words, what does the word forsaken mean?
- 2. How does it make you feel that Jesus had to suffer the wrath of God?
- 3. How does this affect your view of God's love for us?

What does God say?

- 1. Read Romans 3:23-26 What does the word justified mean?
- 2. How does Paul say we're justified in verses 24-26?
- 3. Read <u>1 Corinthians 5:20-21</u> What does it mean to be reconciled?
- 4. Because of what Christ has done for us, Paul says we are "ambassadors of Christ," what does this mean to you?

What steps will I take?

- 1. How can you better understand Christ's sacrifice for you?
- 2. Because of what Jesus did for you, how can you be a better ambassador for Him?

Challenge:

This week, spend time thinking about what Christ has done for you on the cross. Think about how He bore the wrath of God for your sins. Meditate on the pain and suffering He must have endured to "become sin" so that you could "become the righteousness of God in Him." Spend time thanking God for His love, grace and mercy towards a sinner like you. Ask God to help make you a better spokesperson or ambassador for the Savior who suffered God's righteous wrath on your behalf.