

Notes

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

- 1** John 3:17 says, “*For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.*” Does this match your earliest impression of God? Is it how you think of him now?
- 2** Many people’s stories include, “I messed up. I gave up. I looked up. God showed up.” Can you describe an experience like this from your life or the life of someone you know?
- 3** What are some practical ways to follow Jesus when you’re in the middle of a mess?
- 4** In the message, Andy said, “Jesus did not pull back from messy people.” Do you know anyone who follows Jesus’ example in this way? What would it look like for you to do so?

5 What mess are you dealing with right now (at home, at work, in your finances)? Take a few minutes to individually write down how you could take the steps that Jesus offered to the messy people he met.

- **“Look at me.”**

How can you recognize Jesus’ presence in your life?

- **“Come down to me.”**

How can you move away from your mess and toward Jesus?

- **“Come close to me.”**

How can you draw strength from Jesus?

- **“You’re coming with me.”**

What can you do to follow Jesus?

If you feel comfortable doing so, share your responses with the group.