

MOTHER'S DAY

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BIG IDEA:

You are seen, chosen, and included by a God who notices what the world overlooks and invites you into His family and mission.

KEY SCRIPTURES:

John 19:26-27

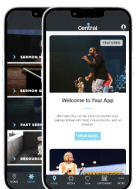
Luke 1:26-27

Luke 1:39-56

Matthew 12:46-50

Acts 1:14

1. In John 19:26-27, what does Jesus' interaction with his mother and John reveal about the kind of care God extends, even in moments of deep pain?
2. Have you ever felt invisible or overlooked in your daily life? How does the reminder that Jesus sees you personally change your perspective?
3. How easy is it for you to allow the truth that God sees you to change your perspective? In your group, identify traits that you share that makes it difficult for the truth to penetrate our hearts.
4. **Read Luke 1:26-27.** How does God's choice of Mary challenge our ideas about what qualifies someone for meaningful impact in God's Kingdom?
5. Mary immediately sought out Elizabeth after receiving her call (Luke 1:39-56). Who has been an "Elizabeth" in your life—someone who confirmed what God was doing in you?
6. Reflect on a time when someone's encouragement sustained you in a difficult or confusing season. How might God be inviting you to do that for someone else?
7. In Matthew 12:46-50, how does Jesus redefine what it means to be part of His family, and why is this so significant for people with painful or missing family stories?
8. Think about your current faith community: where do you see opportunities to "make room" at the table for others?
9. What barriers (internal or external) keep you from believing that you are chosen and included by God?
10. Who in your life might need to be reminded today that they are seen, chosen, and not alone—and how can you be the one to tell them?



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