Sacrificial Love in Jesus’ Ministry

1. Circle the Scripture passage your group has been assigned.

Luke 4:14–30 Luke 7:36–50 Mark 1:40–45 Matthew 12:9–14

2. Read the passage together with your group. Briefly summarize your passage here:

3. What type of suffering does Jesus risk or endure in this passage? For example, does he take a physical risk of being hurt or harmed? Does he take an emotional risk of being rejected, scorned, misunderstood, or abandoned? Explain.

4. Why do you think Jesus chose to sacrifice in this way? Who benefited from his willingness to suffer?

5. Do you think that Jesus’ willingness to sacrifice, and even suffer, for the good of others throughout his life prepared him for the ultimate suffering, his death? Why or why not?

6. What modern-day person can you think of who has willingly endured suffering or sacrificed for the good of others? This could be someone you know personally or a person you have never met but know about. Describe that person here:

7. What is one way in which *your* willingness to sacrifice or endure suffering—whether great or small—could benefit someone in need?