

WEEK 1

SMALL GROUP GUIDE for middle schoolers

UNBELIEVABLE

BIG IDEA

When you have questions, trust Jesus is always listening.

BIBLE

John 3:1-17; Matthew 7:7-9; Jeremiah 33:3

ABOUT THIS WEEK

Having questions about Jesus or the Bible isn't something to be afraid of—they're worth asking.

This week, we'll see how Jesus welcomed Nicodemus' curiosity and big questions, helping him understand what seemed unbelievable. Nicodemus' story reminds us that no matter what we're wondering or struggling to believe, **when you have questions, trust that Jesus is always listening.**

DISCUSSION

- What is a strange human trick you can do?
- Have you ever thought you were really good at something, only to realize you weren't as skilled as you thought? What was that like?
- When Nicodemus came to Jesus with his questions, what do you think he was feeling? How do you feel when you have to admit you don't know something or need to ask for help?
- Read Jeremiah 33:3. How does it feel to know that God actually wants us to reach out with our thoughts, questions, and emotions? Have you ever felt like God answered you in some way when you prayed or asked for help? a time when God has "answered" you in a way when you called out to God?
- Who is someone you can trust with your questions and uncertainty?
- When you have questions or doubts this week, what is one way you can remind yourself that Jesus is always listening?

MEMORY VERSE

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." — 1 John 5:14 (NIV)