



## **The Cross Transforms**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

### **Reflect + Discuss**

- Have you ever been to a baptism service? Do you have a story to share from that experience? Did anything stand out to you? Are there any baptism stories that really stick with you? (It could be your own baptism!)
- Read Hosea 11:1 – 9. What emotions do you notice or feel as you read God's internal struggle? What does this reveal to you about the heart of God?
- Read Romans 6:5-10. What stands out to you? What questions do you have?
- In what ways does being united with Christ change our struggle with sin? Are there any ways you experience this personally?
- Being united with Christ means we have become sons and daughters of God. Do you see yourself as a beloved child of God? What about other Christ Followers? Does this change your attitude towards them?
- What does it mean in your life to be alive to God? Does that change your view of self, community, or God?

### **Pray**

- Reflect on what you've heard the last few weeks about Jesus and the cross. Consider what these things mean about you, about God, and about the world. Pray that God would help you see yourself and others as sons and daughters of God.

### **Next Steps**

- Check out the [Live this Book resource page](#) for more next steps and send your questions about the message to [podcast@blackhawkchurch.org](mailto:podcast@blackhawkchurch.org).