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Icebreaker Questions

In what situations have you felt the power of a group?

When have you ever been influenced by the opinions of a group?

Review the Text

Read Mark 15:1-15.

What did the Sanhedrin do with Jesus after deciding He was guilty? (vs. 1)

How did Jesus respond to the Sanhedrin and Pilate? (vs. 2)

What prompted Pilate to goad Jesus about defending Himself? (vv. 3-4)

What amazed Pilate? (vv. 3-5)

Who was Barabbas, and what role did he play in this situation? (vv. 6-8)

What reason did the crowd give Pilate to crucify Jesus? (vs. 14)

What finally happened to Jesus? Why? (vs. 15)



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Understand the Text

Of those involved in trying and sentencing Jesus, who do you think bore the greater responsibility: the religious leaders or Pilate? Why?

How did Jesus's enemies manipulate public opinion against Him?

Why do you think Pilate did what the crowd wanted?

Apply the Text

Where do you often feel pressured by others to go against your Christian beliefs?

How can we remember to respond properly when pressured by the crowd?