

CALLED TO SHARE IN THE MISSION OF JESUS

Reflect on these five discussion prompts and make a few notes for each.
Be prepared to discuss your answers with your classmates.

- 1 Jesus and those who claim to follow him are called to bring good news to the poor. What are the various kinds of poverty that young people experience today? What might be the good news that those people are waiting for?
- 2 Jesus and those who claim to follow him are called to proclaim comfort to those whose hearts are broken. What are three ways that young people might experience a broken heart? What might be required to comfort or heal those broken hearts?
- 3 Jesus and those who claim to follow him are called to proclaim liberty to captives, to free those who are oppressed. Who are the most oppressed or overwhelmed people among teenagers today? How might the message of Jesus liberate them from their oppression?
- 4 Jesus and those who claim to follow him are called to give freedom to those in prison. This does not mean that we are to release all the thieves and murderers who are now in jail. How would you rephrase this statement to clarify what it might mean to young people today? What could young people do to help those who are imprisoned?
- 5 Jesus and those who claim to follow him are called to comfort those who mourn. Name at least three situations in which young people mourn. What are some ways that we can comfort people in those situations?



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