

Discussion Guide for "The Good Place CataVision Week 3

Philosopher Jean Paul Sartre famously wrote that "Hell is other people." But The Good Place begs to differ. According to the show, other people might be our best chance of truly being changed. How can we discover the path to authentic community? From Arizona trash bag to whole, healthy and loving? If we're willing to choose vulnerability, we'll find Sartre was wrong. It's *heaven* that's other people.

Scriptures for Further Reading

Romans 15:5-9; Galatians 6:1-3

Passage for Sacred Reading:

Sacred Reading is a way of reading Scripture with an eye toward transformation, not just information. You can find a <u>step-by-step guide here</u>. The passage for this week's sacred reading is <u>Romans 15:5-9</u>.

Questions for Discussion

- 1. Have you heard the quote, "Hell is other people."? What do you think Sartre meant by it?
- 2. How much of The Good Place have you seen? Do you have a favorite character? Why?
- 3. What makes relationships so challenging?
- 4. Review M. Scott Peck's stages of authentic community. When have you experienced burnout?
- 5. Review Paul's instructions in Romans and Galatians (above). Which is most challenging for you? Why?