

# SHIRTS ACROSS AMERICA



## CORE TEAM NEW ORLEANS CURRICULUM

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Please hand out a sheet of paper or notecard to each family member & write his or her name at the top. This paper is for their eyes only, the reason we invite everyone to write down their answers – is to memorialize how they were feeling immediately following the film. Please write down your answers to the following questions:

#### **Section 1**

1. How do you feel after watching JUST MERCY? Describe your feelings using one-word adjectives. You may use as many different adjectives that come to mind.

#### **Group Sharing**

A. Have each family member share the feeling that is the strongest for him or her with the group.

#### **Section 2**

1. How do you think Walter's family perceives the Justice system?  
2. What do you think the family needs to help them heal from years of hurt & frustration?

3. After watching this film, what surprised you the most about the events that unfolded?

#### **Group Sharing – (feel free to share answers to all questions)**

Additional Questions/Prompts

A. During the movie, we saw how the justice system believed a white convict and not the law abiding African American community. Is this different in society today? If so, how?

B. Have each family member share what their hopes are for our country & world.

**SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY & MESSAGE – From Warner Bros. Films (on next page)**



We believe in the Power of Story.

Our film JUST MERCY, based on the life work of Civil Rights attorney Bryan Stevenson, is one resource we can humbly offer to those who are interested in learning more about systemic racism that plagues our society.

For the month of June, JUST MERCY will be available to rent for FREE across digital platforms in the United States.

To actively be part of the change our country is so desperately seeking, we encourage you to learn more about our past and countless injustices that have led us to where we are today.

Thank you to the artists, storytellers and advocates who helped make this film happen. Watch with your family, friends and allies.

For further information on Bryan Stevenson and his work at the Equal Justice Initiative, please visit [EJI.org](http://EJI.org).

*Shirts Across America wishes to thank Warner Bros and everyone involved with Just Mercy for making it available to the public for Free. This film has had a profound impact on our organization and all of our volunteers.*