The Gospel From every Angle Gospel as Honor John 12:23-26

TALK IT OVER

Passages

"23 And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him." – John 12:23-26(ESV)

Start Talking: Find an announcement or mission for your group. (15 Min)

- When is our next outreach party? See page 4 for ideas.
- When is our next mission we would like to participate in?
- As you reflect on last weekend's sermon, what one principle or insights stand out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?

Head: Start Thinking about the Text. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)

- Read John 12:23-26. What is Jesus anticipating that will bring Him glory? What is the example He wants us to follow Him in?
- What is the difference between honor and shame? How does this relate to our passage reading?

Heart: Start Sharing how the Text is shaping our beliefs. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)

- What is hard to comprehend about Jesus' definition of Honor and Glory? How is this hard for you?
- Tell about a time that you had to sacrifice your pride for something. Was there honor that came to you as a result?

Hands: Start living the Text. Commit to believing or obeying the text this week. (10 Min)

- Think about how you can be a servant to all. What is Jesus calling to towards?
- Jesus desires that we are doers of the word, and not hearers only. Please create an "I will" or "I believe" statement that describes how you will take action based on today's biblical teaching.

Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)

• For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the *Group Prayer Ideas* page in this packet.

Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. Pick a question. (15 Min)

- 1. Who is one non-believer or someone without a church home that you need to reach out to this week?
- 2. What kind of conversations are you having with people you are reaching out to?
- 3. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
- 4. What's a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
- 5. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
- 6. Pray for one another.

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