

Scriptures for further study

Matthew 7:24-29, Matthew 25:14-30

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

2 Corinthians 5:10-11.24-25

- 1. As we think about the goal of pleasing Christ, (v 9) our goal should be to "delight Him and not disappoint Him". Yet, we know that we will disappoint Him. What is your tendency when you disappoint someone you love? Do you withdraw? Do you blame? How does Jesus want us to deal with failure?
- 2. For all believers there will be a time of Judgement. We talked about this being a time of accountability and not a time of condemnation. Had you ever thought in terms of accountability? We heard that Jesus will be looking for His character in our lives and a "kingdom investment" in our actions. Take a few minutes and review some passages that address character (Col.3, Romans 12:9-21, Gal. 5:22-23). Is there something that you would like to focus on in character or investment over the next few weeks? If so, what is it and what steps could you take to make it happen?
- 3. At the end of the Sermon on the Mount Jesus warns us to build our lives on a firm foundation and not on the sand. A lot of times over the last few months we may have felt that things in our own lives or in our world are shifting like sand. What daily practices do you have that help you focus on a firm foundation?
- 4. Spend some time praying for each other, for our local authorities and for our country during this time of transition.