## Enroute to Easter – WWJP – What Would Jesus Pray?

## **Discussion Questions:**

Jesus said he came to give eternal life, and that eternal life was to know God the Father and to know Jesus, the Son whom the Father sent into the world (John 17:3). What do you think it means to "know" the Father? What do you think it means to "know" the Son? Is it the same? Why or why not? Is there a required basic level of "knowing" before someone has eternal life? If so, what do you think the required level is?

Do you know God the Father and Jesus, the Son whom He sent? Do you have eternal life? What do you base your answer on?

Imagine someone listened to this message who was new to faith, church, and the Bible, and they heard this verse. They talk to you after listening to the message and say they want eternal life. Then they ask you how they can know the Father and know the Son whom the Father sent? How would you answer their question?

Jesus prayed for the disciples' protection, yet they all faced persecution. Why do you think so many Christians think protection means comfort and material blessing? Is it wrong to pray for comfort and blessing? Why or why not?

"Sanctified" means separated or set apart. What do you think it means or looks like to be separated or set apart from the world? What do you think it means or looks like to be separated or set apart to Jesus and His mission?

What practical things do you do to abide in Christ? What practical things do you think God might want you to begin doing to abide in Christ? What is the biggest barrier to you doing those things? Is there a step you could take this week to break down some of those barriers? Will you? Why or why not?

How does it make you feel to know that Jesus prayed for you? What, if anything, does that affect or change?

Jesus said we show that we love him by keeping his commands. What command(s) of Jesus should you be obeying to show that you are abiding in him and loving him? What makes that command difficult for you to do?

Where do you believe God might want you to advance Jesus' mandate (glorify the Father) and mission (introduce people to Jesus so they can know him and therefore have eternal life, having their relationship with God restored and reconciled) this week? Will you? What is the biggest motivation to doing so? What is the biggest barrier to doing so?