

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

“Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.” James 1:22 NIV

A STUDY IN
THE BOOK OF
JOHN

SUMMARY

Power...some have it; others think they have it, but in reality do not. Pastor Frank unpacked from John 19:31-42 how the Jewish leaders tried to assert their “power” but to no avail. However, the true followers of Jesus, with true power, took this moment to “stand up”! The title of this *power-ful* message was “Will Those with Real Power, Please Stand Up.”

APPLICATION

1. As a group, define the word “power”. Discuss why humans have such a strong desire to have, and to keep, power.
2. Those who *think* they have power are keen to use it, while those *with* real power are often reluctant to use it. Why is that?
3. What is one area of your life you feel you have done well with standing up for truth?
4. While you may know you have power from God, what area of your life have you downplayed, softened, minimized, or worked around the truth because it was seemingly too difficult to take a stand? What does it look like for you to stand up for the first time in that area?
5. It’s easy for us to fear those who think they have power and those who appear to have power. How can you find rest in the fact that God’s plans cannot be thwarted by mankind?
6. Pastor Frank shared that those who are true disciples, though fearful, will ultimately come out of the crowd someday, somehow. How can you encourage a fellow brother or sister to stand up this week?

PRAYER

Ask for God’s grace to truly live powerfully and wholly for Him as we stand firm.

