

Fellowship Community Group Discussion Guide
Week of May 31, 2020

Introduction from the Leader:

- Welcome back!
- Discuss when you can have an in-person fellowship time as a group, and ideas for where to meet.

Opening Questions:

1. Spend a few minutes catching up with each other.
2. Ask each person to share: *What is something that most people have, but you'd be willing to give up if it meant leading someone else to Christ?*

Into the Text : Ask everyone to turn to John 12. Ask for a volunteer to read John 12:20-26.

Spend some time looking over this passage. What did Jesus mean by saying that it was time for Him to be glorified? In what way was He going to be glorified, and why would that be a surprise to the disciples? Why is Jesus' way of being glorified BETTER than what was expected?

What does Jesus say in this passage about those who follow Him? What did He mean by "hating" this life? Discuss what it means for the Father to "honor" whoever serves Jesus. Is this honor worth the sacrifice? Why?

Is there anything else in this passage that stands out to you?

Application: As we think about this passage and what application we can make to our own lives, how do we keep our normal desire of having finances and comforts from becoming too important to us? What should our attitude toward money, jobs, happiness, and comfort be, as followers of Jesus Christ?

What attitude or action do you think God wants you to put into practice, based on this passage of Scripture?

Prayer time: Ask for a volunteer to open, and a volunteer to close. Spend some time praying for one another, and pray that we would all be devoted to following Christ first over everything else.