"Not of, but in and for" Group Guide

Series: [RE]UNION Passage: John 17:6-19 Speaker(s): Pastor Josh Rose Date: March 3, 2024

ICEBREAKER:

A younger version of yourself would have said, "I want to be a _____ when I grow up." Take turns responding to the statement and enjoy each other's responses.

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Jesus' mission was to **reveal God** to his people so that they could reveal God to **their people**.

The Disciple's Privilege: Shine a light on <u>Jesus</u>.

How?

- 1. Be <u>united</u> with the <u>Father</u> and <u>one another</u>.
- 2. Live joyfully no matter how bad it gets.
- 3. Remember that you were <u>called</u> to <u>this</u>.

You are **<u>not of</u>** the world, but you were <u>**sent in**</u> the world, <u>**for the sake of**</u> the world.

I am a _____ for the sake of **my people**.

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(Every week in these studies, we will ask questions about the Scriptures that try to help us Discover the unique Way of Jesus found in the text.)

1. Read John 17:6-19. What stands out to you from the passage?

2. Where is this prayer taking place? What events had just unfolded? What will happen next?

3. Remembering Jesus had not yet been crucified, what "work" was it that Jesus spoke of that He had completed?

${\color{red} {\widehat{}}}$ Forming His Heart

(This is the part of the study where we work on our hearts. "How does my character need to grow and change because of this passage?")

4. Jesus knows the cross is ahead and He takes time to pray. What things are on His heart? How does knowing this impact how you might pray?

5. Watch "<u>The Florist</u>" video again as a group. What do you hear in the false narrative? What truth does she fail to see?

6. Have you ever thought the work you do (or have done) is meaningless, mundane, or unimportant? As a group, speak the truth and encourage one another to see themselves more accurately.

Joining His Mission

(This is the part of the study that we ask, "What would God want us to do because of this passage?")

7. Who are some of the individuals who have pointed you to Jesus? Share their names and impact with your group, verbally thanking God for their faithful work.

8. This week memorize Colossians 3:23 and meditate on how you spend your days might be bringing glory to God.

9. Listen & reflect upon the song <u>Day by Day</u> by The Porters Gate.