

FOLLOW AFTER ME



STUDY & DISCUSSION GUIDE

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SUMMIT
CHURCH

GROWING CLOSER TOGETHER

- 1) Take turns taking a group selfie. Once everyone has had a chance, vote on who is the best and worst selfie taker.
- 2) What's the most interesting thing that has happened to you while working at your job?

MESSAGE REFLECTION: Read together **Matthew 16:13-20, 21-26**

- 1) What is something from the sermon that stood out to you, convicted you, or encouraged you?
- 2) Why is the question "Who is Jesus?" the ultimate question that everyone must answer?
- 3) What is the difference between happiness and joy? Why should you cultivate joy in your life instead of happiness?
- 4) What does Jesus mean when he says that to follow him you must "take up your cross?" What should that look like in your life?
- 5) What are some reasons that "denying yourself" can be difficult?
- 6) How does Jesus' call to follow him by dying differ from what our culture says the good life is all about?

GOING DEEPER

READ – **Romans 6:11-14** together

- 1) What is something that jumps out to you from this passage?
- 2) How do people let sin reign in their bodies?
- 3) How does grace change things when it comes to the bondage of sin? What role does the law have in the process of becoming more like Christ (see Romans 7:7)?

READ – **Galatians 5:16-26** together

- 1) What is something that stands out to you from this passage?
- 2) Compare the two lists Paul presents in verses 19-23. When we crucify the things in the first list, what is the corresponding fruit from the second list that grows?

LIVING IT OUT

Revisit the lists from Galatians 5:16-26. Identify sins listed here or others that you know you need to let die. Identify the specific fruit that you would like God to bring about in your life.

PRAYER TIME – *Pray for the needs and requests in your group.*



JOHN WESLEY'S ACCOUNTABILITY QUESTIONS

(Feel free to use these as a guide or develop your own list)

- Am I consciously or unconsciously creating the impression that I am better than I really am? In other words, am I a hypocrite?
- Do I pass on to others what has been said to me in confidence? Have I participated in gossip?
- Can I be trusted?
- Am I a slave to appearance, friends, work or habits?
- Am I self-conscious, self-pitying, or self-justifying?
- Did the Bible live in me today?
- Do I give the Bible time to speak to me every day?
- Am I enjoying prayer?
- When did I last speak to someone else about my faith?
- Do I pray about the money I spend?
- Do I get to bed on time and get up on time?
- Do I disobey God in anything?
- Do I insist upon doing something about which my conscience is uneasy?
- Am I defeated in any part of my life?
- Am I jealous, impure, critical, irritable, touchy or distrustful?
- How do I spend my spare time?
- Am I proud?
- Is there anyone whom I fear, dislike, disown, criticize, hold a resentment toward or disregard? If so, what am I doing about it?
- Do I grumble or complain constantly?
- Is Christ real to me?