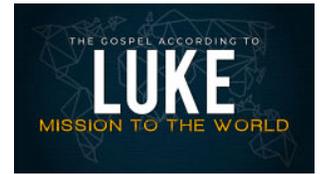


Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Scripture: Luke 18:31-34



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Jesus predicted his suffering, death, and resurrection in keeping with the Father's plan to save sinners.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

1. What is the urgency and purpose of Jesus' trek to Jerusalem (verse 31)? What attributes of his messianic role does Jesus combine using the title Son of Man for himself (Daniel 7) and the announcement of his suffering (Isaiah 53:3-6)?
2. What does Jesus' statement indicate about his perspective of the Scriptures? What does your life communicate about how you view the Bible?
3. Why did Jesus need to suffer and die in Jerusalem (verses 32-33)? How is Jesus unlike any other innocent person who dies unjustly?
4. Who is complicit in Jesus' death (verse 32; 9:22), and yet who is responsible for initiating and fulfilling the mission of the cross (Acts 22:3-24; 4:25-28)? What does this teach us about ourselves and God?
5. What does Jesus' prediction and resurrection reveal about his relationship with the God Father and God's mission to the world?
6. What prevented the disciples from understanding Jesus' claim (verse 34; 9:45; 24:44-47)?
7. Why would Jesus, knowing he would be rejected and suffer alone, still willingly go to the cross?
8. Who do you know needs to hear the life-changing message of the gospel of Jesus Christ?