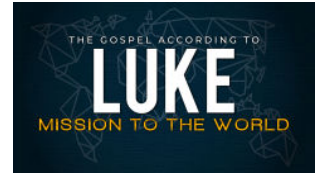


Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, June 23, 2024

Scripture: Luke 19:45-20:8



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Jesus is the Son of God who passionately pursues the lost, uniquely possesses divine authority, and invites people of all nations to worship the one true God.

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

1. Who did Jesus angrily drive out of the temple and why (verses 45-46; Jeremiah 7:11; Mark 11:15-17)? What does this reveal about Jesus?
2. What was the purpose of the temple and the mission of the people of God (1 Kings 8:41; Isaiah 56:6-7)? How had the people of Jesus' day failed to do this? Are you neglecting the mission; what's preventing you from participating in God's mission to the world?
3. What was Jesus' passion and priority while he was at the Temple? How was he uniquely qualified to teach the Scriptures with authority (verses 47-20:1)?
4. Do you value the Word of God and trust it over your flawed feelings or reason? Why is it vital to gather weekly with the church under the preaching of God's Word?
5. How has Jesus eclipsed the temple as the meeting place of worship (Gen 3; Lev 17:11; Hebrews 7:26-27)? How can sinful humans come into contact with a Holy God unscathed?
6. Why the increased hostility of the religious leaders (20:1-2)? Why did they challenge his authority?
7. What gives Jesus the right to wield his authority over your life? Do you trust that Jesus' authority is proper and good?
8. How did Jesus redirect their challenge with his question?