



Session

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BIG IDEA

What do you do when life throws you a curve?

OPENING QUESTION:

What is something difficult from this past week?

GROUP DISCUSSION

- Read this passage: John 16:16-17:5 out loud, in different versions of the Bible – everyone listens.
- What are some significant observations you have about this text? What stood out? What didn't you like? What was confusing?
- What does this passage teach us about God? How does it change how I see God?
- What does this passage teach us about humanity/ourselves? How would it change how I treat others?
- What does this passage teach us about obedience and following the way of Jesus? How should it affect the way I live?

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WEEKEND

Thought:

In his final moments with his disciples John records for us the encouragement Jesus had for them. Knowing that he was about to face a brutal beating, and execution at the hands of the people he came to save.

Questions:

Where do you see comfort in Jesus's words?

Why do you think Jesus spent so much time comforting his disciples right before his death?

What does it mean to ask something in Jesus's name?

How do you see Jesus "giving glory" to God in this passage?

Why is it our suffering is often our most powerful platform?

"I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world." – Jesus

Thought:

Jesus promises that there will be difficulties in the world. That promise can be a comfort for us when we suffer reminding us that we live in a sinful world.

Question:

We can naturally assume that if we trust God then everything will be alright. How do you see the confidence in Jesus being hope to hard times?

Join the mission of Jesus

I will statement...

Based on what God is teaching in this passage, what should I do? Reflect for a minute or two and develop an action statement. As disciples this helps us to be changed by Jesus. Put it in the form, "I Will _____". Make it concrete, simple, and achievable.

