John #11: Review and application

Objectives: In our busy lives we far too often just rush off to the next thing. This week we want to reflect on what we have discussed this semester and allow people a chance to process what God has been doing in their lives.

For the leaders- By now you should know the people in your group fairly well. This is a good study for you to creatively engage your group with the objectives. If these questions are helpful, then use them. If not, feel the freedom to do this review in a way that best engages your group. If you do something different and it works well, please pass it on to us so we can use it in a future Life Group!

Launch Use your own words... (5 minutes) In John 20:30-31, the author shares his purpose for writing this gospel.

Read John 20:30-31.

 What is one way that Life Group has helped you experience life in Jesus or deepen your belief in Christ?

Now we are going to reflect on the passages we looked at in John this semester. I know not all of you were here for every passage, but we want to give all of us a chance to reflect on what we did study.

First we spent three weeks looking at 3 different interactions with Jesus.

- Nicodemus in John 3
- The Samaritan Woman in John 4
- The man at the pool in John 5 (do you want to get well?)

After sharing our own stories we spent three weeks looking at gifts Jesus gave us to help us live the Christian life.

- Living Water (The Holy Spirit) from John 7:37-39
- Community from John 13 (the foot washing)
- The Word and Prayer from John 15

The last 2 weeks we focused on 3 main themes:

- Being sent by Jesus in John 17
- The death and resurrection of Jesus from John 19 and 20.

Explore/Apply (discuss in small groups)

 As you reflect on these passages, which passage has stuck with you? How has it impacted you, challenged you, encouraged you or convicted you?

Prayer

We are going to end by praying the passage in John 20:30-31.

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

- Pray that we would grow in our belief/trust in Jesus as our savior.
- Pray that we would go to him for life and that we would not go to things of the world for life.

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