

JOHN CHAPTER 6 (FACILITATOR)

Discussion Starter

- What is the most selfless thing that someone has ever done for you outside of Jesus dying on the cross?
- What is the most selfless thing you have ever done for someone?
- Opening Prayer
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Tell the Story

• PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE ONE PERSON WHO STORIES (SUMMARIZES THE CHAPTER) BEFORE THE GROUP READS THE CHAPTER TOGETHER.

Read the Story (John 6:1-71)

Read out loud as a group, 3-5 verses per person. Let everyone know they can opt out if they would like.

Breaking it Down

 All questions should be utilized as appropriate based upon group dynamics to facilitate both understanding and discussion. Don't feel tied to the questions and don't feel like you must get through every question. Follow the Spirit's lead! All questions are a matter of perspective in some way BUT there are specific questions that this is truer of, and these questions have been indicated to be perspective/opinion questions.

John 6:1-15

- ☐ What is the significance of John's reference to why people were choosing to following Jesus in verse 2?
 - The significance of this is that it points to how the rest of John chapter 6 unfolds. The people weren't following Jesus because they believed who He was and/or because they wanted to follow Him. Rather, they were following Him because of what they could get from Him.

- Is there anything wrong with following Jesus because of what He does for you/us? If so, what? Why would you say that you're currently following Jesus?
 - These are perspective and opinion questions so please listen as the facilitator.
- ☐ What do you think the following quote means? Do you agree or disagree with it and why? "Jesus will always maximize and increase what we as human beings bring to the table?"
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John 6:16-40

- ☐ What is the significance of what Jesus says to the people in verse 26?
 - O Jesus is revealing both the hearts and motives of the people. They again aren't seeking after Him because they believe in Him and/or because they want to follow Him. Rather, they are seeking after Him because they want to be fed physically again.
 - How do you think verse 26 applies to your own life and walk with Jesus?
 - This is a perspective and opinion question so please listen as the facilitator.
 - Notice that while Jesus reveals the hearts and motives of the people to whom He is speaking, He also uses the time as an opportunity to teach and disciple.
 - How do you need to move out of frustration and disappointment with people and use the opportunities that God has given you to teach and disciple those same people?
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John 6:41-51

- ☐ What is one of the Jews' problems with Jesus according to verse 42?
 - The Jews believe that they know all that there is to know about Jesus and what Jesus is saying about Himself does not fit into the box of what they believe to be true about Him.
 - In what ways have you or are you currently acting like the Jews did in this text? In what ways can you guard against this type of mindset?
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John 6:52-71

- ☐ Why do the Jews have such a problem with Jesus saying that He is the bread of life and that they must eat His flesh and drink His blood?
 - The Jews were appalled at what Jesus said because they were thinking of what He was saying from a physical standpoint and drinking blood and participating in cannibalism were both forbidden by the Old Testament Law. It wasn't that the Jews were seeking to have bad hearts or bad motives. However, their lens through which they were viewing things was completely off and because this lens was off, it threw everything else off.
 - In what ways do you need to seek to see people through God's eyes and with His love?
 - In what ways do you need to see yourself through God's eyes and with His love?
 - In what ways do you need to see your circumstances through God's eyes and with His love?
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- ☐ What is the significance of Jesus' question to His disciples in verse 67 and what is the significance of Peter's response in verse 68?

• While Jesus desires for His disciples to follow Him, He is undeterred in His mission, regardless of who follows Him and who doesn't, including His disciples. The significance of Peter's response reveals that for Peter, Jesus is it, not another option among many other options. While Peter didn't always live this proclamation out perfectly, it is a bold proclamation by which all disciples should seek to live.

Final Application

- What does this passage teach us about God?
- What does this passage teach us about mankind?
- What is a command to obey in this passage?
- What has God revealed in your life that needs changing?
- What truth can be applied to your life about the gospel?

Closing & Prayer Requests

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