

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Conscience & Jesus (& Jesus #7)

Week of May 20, 2018

While this Discussion Guide is intended for use in a Riverwood Growth Group, it can be used personally as well. To get the most from these questions, we suggest you take 10-15 minutes to read, think, and pray through this Guide before participating in your Growth Group. The point of this guide is to not just "get through the questions" (there's no quiz at the end!) but to pursue Jesus and grow spiritually.

ICEBREAKER (Optional)

What is one thing you are looking forward to this summer?

DISCUSSION

PLEASE NOTE: This will be the last Discussion Guide until September. Take some time right now as a Group to plan 2-4 dates where you can get together as a group over the summer.

Read Romans 14. (Feel free to break it up among two or three readers.)

1. What words/concepts do you see being repeated through this chapter?

2. One of the repeated words Paul uses is "stumble" (verses 13, 20, & 21). What does he mean by this word?



3. Who or what are Paul's readers supposed to be focused upon?

4. On Sunday, Erin said that many people long for a "black & white" world, but God asks us to live in a "gray" world. Why is it difficult for some people to live in the "gray"? Discuss whether or not it is "fair" for God to call His followers to live in the "gray"?

MAKING IT PERSONAL

5. Are there any areas in life where you need to give grace and/or sacrifice your rights?

6. How does the gospel enable a Jesus-follower to willingly sacrifice their rights as well as give grace to others?

MEMORY VERSE

"For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." (Romans 14:8)

PRAYER

Close in prayer for one another (and for the Riverwood church family) to be willing to sacrifice and willing to give grace.

