

SERMON-BASED LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Week of: May 13, 2018

Speaker: Gorman

GETTING STARTED:

- 1) What music, art, or symbol garners the greatest reaction from you? Why do they have such meaning in our lives?
- 2) What are some initial thoughts you have about communion (the Lord's Supper?)

MESSAGE BIG IDEA: Table Manners: Communion

MAIN SCRIPTURE: 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 (Have a group member read)

DISCUSSION

- 1) What is the purpose of communion as described in 1 Corinthians?
- 2) Why did Paul write this stern passage in his letter to the Corinthian people?
- 3) When Jesus says to "remember me" (Luke 22:19), what does that mean to you?
- 4) What is communion not for?

DIG DEEPER (Other scriptures?)

- 1) Luke 22:14-19 – What does it mean to you that Jesus "eagerly desired" to eat this Passover meal with his disciples and by extension you?
- 2) How is communion an extension of the Passover as described in Exodus 12?
- 3) How does the relationship between David and Mephibosheth (2 Samuel 9) reflect our relationship with Jesus? Is it significant that Mephibosheth was crippled in both feet?

BRING IT HOME

- 1) If only free people reclined at the table, what are obstacles that prevent you from feeling "free" to recline at Christ's table?
- 2) What does knowing that a cripple who expected death was invited to the King's table mean for your circumstances?

ASK FOR GOD'S HELP

- 1) How can you better prepare yourself for your time of communion with Jesus?
- 2) How can we pray for you?