

Personal Glory or Personal Lord & Savior?

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Small Group Homework and Outline

Week of February 4, 2018

Fear of **man** more than God.

Chose **religion** over relationship.

Chose **comfort** over discipleship.

Now What?

Do I fear man or God **more**?

Galatians 1:10, Matthew 6:5-8

Is my salvation from faith or **works**?

Ephesians 2:8-9, James 2:17

Does my faith **cost** me?

1. Does my faith cost me to **stand**?

Romans 10:9-10

2. Does my faith cost me **financially**?

Matthew 6:21, 24

3. Does my faith cost me sacrificing **idols**?

Exodus 20:4-6, Psalm 34:8-14

Small Group Homework

For the Week of February 4, 2018
(Questions and Scriptures for Reflection and Study)

Getting Started...

1. What are a few ways you can serve your neighborhood this week? Which of these will you put into practice over the next month or so?

2. In two or three sentences, paraphrase the Sunday message.

Into the Bible...

3. Read John 12:37-50. Who was the source of Jesus' authority? Why did Jesus come into this world?

Why did those who came to believe in Jesus not confess their belief? In what way has fear played a role in your faith journey?

4. Read Matthew 6:5-8. What does a passage like this teach us about prayer and our prayer life? What about the other areas of religious practice (attending church, giving, corporate worship, etc.)?

In the message, Jeff pointed out the idea of choosing religion over relationship. What are some ways we can guard ourselves to make sure that we don't fall into that trap? What role does God's grace play in guarding ourselves?

Application

5. What does it mean that Jesus is Lord? How has that changed your life? How has your faith cost you?

Take some time to pray and reflect this week regarding your discipleship journey. Is your life being lived more in fear of man than for the glory of God? Pray that God would refresh you by His grace and that He would strengthen you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling you have received.

Memory Verse

John 12:46- "I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness."

Prayer Requests

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