



What a Weekend: Friday

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. It is possible to “spin” something that is bad into something that is good, or something that is good into something bad. We could talk about this in many contexts, but when it comes to God’s Word...name some things that the world says are good that are actually bad, and what are some things that God says are good that the world says are bad?
2. What led up to many people taking what Jesus did and said the wrong way? Give some examples of what should have been seen as good as being seen instead as a threat or as a negative instead? How or why did that happen?
3. In terms of being clear about one’s mission —
 - what was the mission of Caesar?
 - what was the mission of Pilate?
 - what was the mission of the Jewish leaders?
 - what was the mission of the average person in the crowd?
 - what was Jesus’ mission?
 - Reflect on Luke 22:42
 - Reflect on Luke 10:17
 - How did Jesus stay “on mission” with so much opposition and temptation...all the way to His death?
4. Since Genesis, what has the mission of the Father, Son, Holy Spirit been?
 - Proverbs 8:22-23
 - John 1:1-3
 - 1 Cor 2:7
 - 2 Tim 1:9
5. Quietly think on this and finish this sentence in the way you feel prompted. Write it down and when everyone is done, share it with the group: "Because God has always been clear of His will being done, and because Jesus was obedient to God’s will all the way to His death and resurrection, this means that I _____."
6. What opposition/struggle/temptation are you currently wrestling with that is trying to pull you “off mission”. Name an area in your life which Jesus must win, His will must triumph, and you must respond in obedience for this to happen.

Make this your prayer request.

As a group pray “like a choir” (everyone praying at once)

- for that area of your life you just identified
- for your group, that each person would experience victory also
- for someone you know is wrestling with opposition/struggle/temptation

As the prayer winds down, have someone read this benediction

Hebrews 13:20-21 - Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.