

Fellowship Group Homework & Discussion

Getting Started

1. Describe a time when you submitted to God but did not really want to. What was the situation? Did you have a reason for not wanting to submit to Him? What caused you to ultimately act in submission?
2. What one idea impacted you the most from last week's sermon?

Going Deeper

3. Read **James 4:13-17**.

- * What attitudes does this passage teach that you need to have for Jesus to be lord in your life?
- * How does God's knowledge of the future make Him more qualified than you to be the lord of your life?
- * How has (or will) the knowledge of this passage influence your decision making?

4. Read **1 Corinthians 6:19-20**

- * What gives Christ the right to be lord of your life?
- * What is the result of God buying you with a price?
- * If "you are not your own," then in what area do you need to put this into better practice in your physical or spiritual life?

5. Read **Colossians 3:22-24**

- * How does this passage describe the lordship of Christ in our lives?
- * Who are you ultimately serving in every relationship and circumstance?
- * For Jesus to be lord, what motivation should be behind our actions?
- * In what relationship, work, marriage, government, etc. do you find it most difficult to work as unto the Lord?

6. Read **Luke 5:1-11**

- * Why would Peter even question the idea of dropping the nets down? What makes this look like a waste of time and energy?
- * What does Peter's submission illustrate about his understanding of Jesus?
- * Have you ever felt like Peter? Describe an experience? Is there an area today that Christ is calling you to trust, in spite of what you "know?"

7. Read **Luke 6:46-49**

- * What is the sole difference between the mature and the immature person in this passage?
- * What attitude does this verse illustrate? Is there an area of your life that you feel like Jesus is saying, "just obey?"

6. Of all these areas, in which one do you need to focus on, and allow God to have increased lordship in your life?

12. A key purpose of our Fellowship Groups is to provide accountability.

To help with that, discuss the following questions:

- * Have you been making it a regular priority to attend a Sunday morning worship service?

- * Have you been faithful in making Fellowship Group attendance a top priority?

- * Are you praying regularly for the members of your Fellowship Group?

- * Are you caring for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of those in your Fellowship Group?

- * Are you taking steps to become more transparent with your Fellowship Group?

- * Are you serving regularly in one area of ministry, preferably in your area of giftedness?

- * Are you maintaining your Oikos list?

- * Are you praying regularly for your Oikos list?

- * What have you done this last week to reveal God to at least one member of your Oikos?



Baby Names

"Christ the Lord"

Luke 2:11

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