

Life Group / WITH: The Relational Heart of God / 8.23.20

Icebreaker

What are some media sources that you go to in your downtime?

JOHN 15:1-11

What stood out to you from Justin's message/our passage?

When you think of the word WITH, what comes to mind? What is a real life example of that?

If you were to "creatively title" the sermons that our culture preaches to our emotions, what would be some examples? (i.e. Anxiety: The New Me ; The Chief End of Man: My Personal Happiness ; I AM: No Really... I Am ; 7 Stop Signs to Drive Through)

Recap everything that has happened in 2020. In light of this year, what have you noticed in your heart, mind, soul, etc.? How has your walk WITH God been affected?

What drives you to express emotion? How do we personally reset our hearts/soul in the chaos?

"this has massive implications for what it means to follow Jesus in 2020. The vast majority of us spend 167 hours a week hearing sermons from our culture about sex, happiness, money, spirituality, friendship, fear, and a hundred other things. And, then, we spend 1 hour a week hearing a sermon from Jesus in a church, maybe. And, we begin to wonder why Jesus feels so boring and powerless and everything out there feels so exciting and so appealing."

- Justin Stringer

So, in the face of all of that, what are we supposed to do?

Men's/Women's Time

Have a time of **sharing** (i.e. Share highs/lows in this season, needs in your home/community, etc.).

RESPONSE / WITH step

A WITH step is our response that we can implement WITH someone else (friend, God, etc.).

How can we direct our emotions/heart from culture to God this week?

PRAY for one another.