DISCUSSION GUIDE



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WELCOME: How are you doing on your New Year's resolutions?

WORSHIP: Worship Playlist

WORD: READ John 12:34-41

What was your greatest takeaway from the sermon/scripture?

The Jews were expecting the Messiah to come as a conquering king in the worldly sense. Instead He conquered as a humble servant so that His true nature would be revealed.

Like the crowd, how do you think we could miss seeing God's true nature because of what we see in a worldly way or by misinterpreting scripture? How would you best describe the character of God?

Can you at all relate with the crowd, who was educated through unenlightened teaching, hence misunderstanding Jesus and His legitimacy?

What are some of the dangerous teachings/theologies that are attractive, but go against the legitimacy of God's word.

How do we recognize false teachings and guard ourselves from it?

Discuss how you have seen the pattern of deconstruction and reconstruction play out in your life.

How important and sound is the foundation of your faith? What are you doing to allow God to reconstruct your spiritual foundation?

How were you challenged by the sermon to not hold onto words or things in your life that are not true? Ask God to remove the things from your life that are false and to receive discernment from the Holy Spirit.

WITNESS: How does a solid foundation, rooted in God's word, give you confidence in sharing your faith with others and spark a catalyst to invite them to church?