Royal Redeemer CGS Community Discussion Guide

Based on the sermon for June 17-18, 2017: Jesus Christ



(For use as an opening Devotion, use only the highlighted portion)

- Begin by sharing a high and/or a low from your week
- Connect
 - What do you most appreciate about your father?
- Grow (read this passage aloud and listen for words or phrases that speak into your life now)

15 The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. 17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. 19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. Colossians 1:15-20

- O Share any words or phrases that speak into your life today.
- o How are you like your parents? How are you different? What is one thing you learn about God the Father from Jesus?
- Watch the Louie Giglio video on Laminin https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QSR8z_0uW5E&t=108s What comfort does it bring you to know that in Jesus, all things hold together (v. 17)?
- o Jesus made peace with God for you on the cross. Are you at peace with God?

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. 22 But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation—23 if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. Colossians 1:21-23

- o In what area of your life do you want to be King, in total control? How does that desire alienate you from God?
- What best helps you "continue in your faith", remembering that the grace Jesus offers through the cross is yours?

How would you respond to this quote: We must never allow the authority of books, institutions, or leaders to replace the authority of knowing Jesus Christ personally and directly. When the religious views of others interpose between us and the primary experience of Jesus as the Christ, we become unconvicted and unpersuasive travel agents handing out brochures to places we have never visited." - Brenden Manning

Serve

- Who in your life today is working hard to be King, and might find relief in discovering the power and grace-filled love of King Jesus?
- End with Prayer and the Lord's Prayer