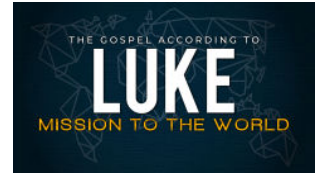


Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, October 15, 2023

Scripture: Luke 10:38-42



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Joyful, God-glorifying, Spirit-fueled worship and service flow from and meditating on the life-giving Word of God.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

1. How was Jesus treated during his ministry in Bethany (verse 38)?
2. What can we glean about Martha and Mary from this passage and other Scripture passages?
3. With which sister do you most identify: Martha or Mary? Why?
4. What would have been considered culturally taboo about Jesus' interaction with the sisters?
5. What did it mean to sit at Jesus' feet? What does that mean today?
6. Was Martha wrong to show hospitality? How had her good service been corrupted?
7. What has replaced the joy you once experienced through serving Jesus (doubt, anxiety, self-importance, self-pity, bitterness, disappointment, etc.)? Like Martha, have the cares and busyness of life distracted from the life-giving, worship-producing Word of God?
8. How did Jesus lovingly correct Martha (verse 41)? What is he commending about Mary's choice (verse 42)?
9. Read John 11:17-26. What remarkable change do we see in Martha, and what can we learn from her?