

# SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

## QUICK REVIEW

1. As you consider this week's worship gathering, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? It could have been through a song, the sermon, another person, or an experience.

## SCRIPTURE-BASED MIXER

2. In John 17:20-26, Jesus prays for all believers who will follow His Apostles, with a focus on unity. Share a time when you experienced either special unity or disunity within a group.

## MY STORY

3. Jesus prayed for unity. What might this unity look like?

4. Christians are not to live out their faith in isolation. Describe how you are helping to unify the body of Christ (the church).

## DIGGING DEEPER

5. In verse 20, Jesus speaks of their message (NIV). Who is He speaking about and what does Jesus mean by message?

6. Read Acts 15:36-40, where Paul and Barnabas strongly argue over taking John Mark on their second missionary journey. Two "giants of the Christian faith" were not in unity. What happened? Is there a definitive right and wrong here? (Read 2 Tim 4:11) What might have been God's perspective?

7. On what essentials must believers always be unified? What things could legitimately cause division?

8. Review John 17:20-26 and explore how unity with Christ empowers believers to have unity with one another and unity for our mission to make disciples.

## TAKING IT HOME (APPLICATION)

9. How does our unity affect our witness to the world?

10. What might you do to enhance unity among believers?

11. Pray for opportunities and the courage to invite specific people to our Easter celebrations. Who could you invite to join you for:

- Good Friday Night of Worship (March 30 at 7 p.m.)
- Easter Sunday Services (April 1 at 9 a.m. or 11 a.m.)

## JESUS UNFILTERED # 8

### JESUS PRAYS FOR ALL BELIEVERS

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I. Christ speaks to his reoccurring mandate of sharing his **love** and making **disciples**. John 17:20, Romans 8:34b

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II. Those in Christ, Jesus asks the Father that we would be **one**. John 17:21,22,23, John 3:30, John 13:35

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III. To be unified, we must be "**all in**". John 17:24, John 6:53-56, 67-68, 2 Cor 3:18, 1 John 3:2

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IV. The greatest reward is to see Jesus **glorified** and make the Father's love **known**. John 17:25-26, John 15:15, John 14:9

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