

PASSION: THE JOURNEY TO EASTER

Pastor Tyron Caswell, March 13-14, 2021

TABLE TALK

• Select one or two "Table Talk" cards to discuss with your group.

WARM UP

Have you ever had a passion that got you into trouble before? What happened?

INTRODUCTION

We're kicking off a new series that focuses on the final week of Jesus' life before His crucifixion. Nearly one-third of the Gospel writings center around this one week. It is traditionally called "Passion Week." Today we will discuss one of Jesus' teachings during the Passion Week.

DISCUSSION

Read John 12:23-24.

- 1. What do you typically think of when you hear the word "passion"?
- 2. The Latin word we translate as "passion" literally means "to suffer." How does that apply to Jesus' final week?
- 3. **Read John 12:27.** Why do you think Jesus said, "My soul is troubled"? (Discuss all the possible meanings that statement could have.)
- 4. Read John 12:24. How does this verse apply to Jesus' life?
- In what ways could that verse also apply to your life today?
- 6. Read John 12:25. Have you ever surrendered something to God and gained more in return? Tell us about it.
- 7. Is there any area of your life that you need to surrender to God? What is it, and what's been holding you back?
- 8. Pastor Tyron closed the message by saying: "The love that Jesus displayed by dying on the cross should compel us to center our lives around Him and His mission."—Is your life centered around Jesus' mission? Explain.

APPLICATION

What is something practical you will do this Easter season to focus on Jesus' mission and reach others?

PRAYER

- Pray for each person in your Small Group to surrender every area of their lives to God, and find His life in return.
- Pray for the people your group will reach out to this Easter season.
- Take prayer requests and pray for any needs in the group.

