

Follow Jesus For Who He Is

Discussion Guide March 25, 2018 Matthew 20:29-21:17

Questions for Study

**Before discussing these questions, read through Matthew 20:29-21:17 as a group.

- 1. What would you say is the first big challenge you faced in your life? The kind of challenged that forced you to do something that was a new experience for you and a bit intimidating.
 - This could be something, looking back, you'd say is actually quite humorous. Or, it could be a very serious event in your life, one perhaps even defining in who you are today.
- 2. What's your most recent challenge that definitely forced you not to play it safe, where you had to take a risk to do what you needed to do?
- 3. As you reflect back on this recent challenge and others you've faced in the last several years, is there anything you needed to deal with in yourself to do what you knew you needed to do?
- 4. How do you see Scott Frost's coaching style making a difference in the ability of those playing under his leadership? (This was given in the introduction to Sunday's sermon.)
- 5. How was this applied to Sunday's sermon?
- 6. If you were asked what's the most important thing Jesus did on this day we now call Palm Sunday, what would you say it was?
 - Clue: He did it by his response to the two blind men, by riding into Jerusalem, and by his words and actions in the temple.
- 7. "Follow Jesus for who he is" was one of two key statements in Sunday's sermon. What do we learn about Jesus from this Sunday's scripture; the above scripture you will read together as a small group?
- 8. How does clarity on who Jesus is and allowing this to capture your heart and mind, impact the life you live?
- 9. "Refusing to play it safe" was the second key statement in Sunday's sermon. Why should this be a priority for us as followers of Christ?
- 10. Is there anything that's makes you hesitate to make this your choice on how to live life?
- 11. What do you think are some of the best things you could do to strengthen yourself to make this choice?
- 12. How can you as a small group encourage and strengthen each other and be accountable to each other in making this choice to not play it safe?