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Leader Guide | Week 7

Key Things You Heard

- If you want to know the truth, you have to know Jesus.
- Truth can be broken into three categories:
 1. Objective truth
 2. Subjective truth
 3. Situational truth
- Culture does four things:
 1. It communicates
 2. It makes us feel at home
 3. It is viral
 4. It shapes
- There are three responses to culture, and they all have benefits and pitfalls. You can:
 1. Reject it
 2. Receive it
 3. Retreat from it
- In service to King Jesus, we are a royal priesthood.

Pray

Heavenly Father, Open our minds, ears, and hearts to hear the truth. We understand that if we want to know the truth, we must know Jesus. So let us see Jesus clearly and act consistently with the truth we find in Him. In Jesus' name, amen.

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Questions for Conversation

NOTE: You will need one index card and a pen or pencil for each participant in your group.

- Start your group by having everyone share one thing that they are thankful for this week.
- Continue your group by having each person share one thing they struggled with this week. After each person shares, have someone in the group pray for them.
- Read the following passages of scripture. John 14:6-7, 18:37; 1 Corinthians 2:9-16, 9:19-23; 1 Peter 2:9-10. As a group, pick one or two of these scriptures to discuss and then answer the following questions:
 1. What did you like about this passage?
 2. What did you find challenging or hard to understand in this passage?
- Read the passage of scripture you are discussing again. Then answer these questions:
 1. What did you learn about people?
 2. What did you learn about God?
- Pass out one index card and a pen or pencil to each participant. Instruct them to pray this prayer. “God, how can I obey and apply what I have learned in my time in the Word today?” Have them write down what God is asking them to do. Then, challenge everyone to do what needs to be done. Next week, everyone will share what they learned about themselves and God through obeying Him.
- Choose one or two of the topics from the list in Key Things You Heard and discuss the difference between the way of popular culture and the way of Jesus. What changes do you need to make in your life to more closely align yourself with the way of Jesus?

Prayer Focus

Global Christian Relief states, “On May 3, 2023, 25 churches went up in flames in Manipur, India, and 6 Christians were killed after riots broke out through the region. ‘The violence has led to thousands of people, mostly Christians, fleeing their homes and businesses. Leaders in the area have said that church burnings are the result of the growth of Hindu nationalism among the dominant Meitei community,’ our field partner said.”

Pray for this group of believers. Pray for their safety and that they will remain faithful to the Lord through their suffering.