



2/14 - Small Group Questions

Week 23: Peace

1. Read John 14:18-31: The world understands peace as a feeling or sensation. Because the world understands peace in this way, they often pursue that sensation through substances. The problem is that sensations leave. The peace that Jesus speaks of is not based on circumstances or feelings. Instead it is based on right relationship with God. The world can only offer peace as a hope. It cannot guarantee it. Why not?
2. The world defines peace negatively, as the absence of conflict. How does Jesus define it in verse 27? In vs. 27, Jesus states he is "bequeathing" his peace to the disciples. What does this mean?
3. What are you leaving to your family? What kind of peace does the world offer? (hint: temporary, circumstantial, etc.)
4. What gives us anxiety and trouble as a culture? How does Jesus' peace calm our hearts?
5. How do the following verses contribute to the peace Jesus offers? (v.2, v.3, vs.4-11, vs. 15-17, vs. 18-24)