

Friendship Group Discussion Questions 4/09/2017

Sermon: “A Man of Passion” – Mark 14:32–42; Isaiah 53; Hebrews 5:7; Psalm 16:10

1. Tell a story about a time in your life when you were noticeably more passionate about something/someone than others around you. Follow up: are you still passionate about it or did something replace it?
2. Both the Gospel of Mark and Isaiah 53 describe the Messiah (Jesus) as a man of sorrows, acquainted with grief. Why is this significant for day-to-day life?
3. Michael said that Jesus felt the weight of provision, the weight of all of mankind’s sin in the garden that night. What do you do when you feel the weight of provision on your shoulders? What should you do?
4. Have you been betrayed? How did it feel? How hard was it to trust or love the person that betrayed you? How have you been able to bounce back, even from being the betrayer?
5. How does Jesus surrendering to the will of the Father under such a cosmic weight of provision and sorrow encourage or embolden you to surrender to the Father when life is tough?
6. Did any of the stories and people from the Middle East (that Michael shared) impact your life and next steps for living a passionate and surrendered life?

Prayer focus: Pray for eyes to see and ears to hear the sorrowful and grief-stricken in need of hope. Pray for your group to experience the depths of God’s grace this Holy Week in the power of the risen Savior.