



context:

line by line: John 15:8-17

application:

BE PRESENT . . . to worship

Use these questions in your community group time to dig deeper and discover how you can apply today's message to everyday life.

TEXT: John 15:8-17

1. What questions did this week's message raise for you?
2. Read the text, John 15:8-17, through together.
 - a. What is the picture of God you get here?
 - b. What is the picture of ourselves here?
 - c. If we had lost all of the other parts of the Bible and this was the last remnant, what would you deduce from this text about how we relate to and worship Jesus?
 - d. What other verses in your Study Bible—or that you know of—fill out our understanding of what worship really is?
3. How does the teaching in verse 7 (a summary of the first 7 verses) impact our worship relationship with God?
 - a. What, therefore, is the promise here [i.e. – if we “abide” in him, then what]?
 - b. When did Jesus speak these words to the Twelve, and how do you think that affects their importance?
4. Read Psalm 95 together.
 - a. What does this Psalm teach us about worship?
 - b. What 4 or 5 “avenues” of worship does this Psalm teach? [For example, one thing that's almost so obvious that it's easy to miss, is the plural pronouns. What does that teach us about the importance of at some point being together in worship?]

Pray for one another, your whole church family, that we would live out our value of worship. Pray that we would all be present and that we would be an engaged worshipping community... and that as a result we would live the joy of Jesus' words and “bear much fruit!”