

Growth Group Homework - May 12, 2019

Warm-Up

1. Have you ever received a birthday or Christmas present and thought, "This isn't what I wanted"? What happened?
2. Do you tend to be a pessimist or an optimist?

Talk It Over

3. Looking back at your notes from this week's message, what did you find most challenging or helpful?
4. Read Luke 10:38-42. What do you think Martha wanted? Are there less obvious desires she may have had? What was Mary focused on?

- When was a time you wanted something and were working toward it, only to realize it wasn't the highest priority? What did you learn?
- Bevan explained how we carry a list in our hearts that ranks what matters most to us. We often don't realize the ranking order until we don't get what's on top of the list. Have you experienced this? Were you surprised by what was on top? Why?

5. Read Philippians 1:20-24. In verse 21, Paul says, "For me to live is..." Think back on a time when you have thought, "This isn't what I want." What was happening? How would you have finished this sentence at that time?

- What has helped you shift your answer from "something in this life" to "Christ"?

6. Which of the 3 points from the message was most encouraging to you? Why?

Take It Home

7. In Luke 22:42, Jesus prays, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." Where are you currently thinking, "This isn't what I want"?

- How would you personalize this prayer based on your situation?