<u>Luke 22</u> April 3, 2022

The questions below are designed to be used by Saylorville Church Community Groups as they meet during the week following the Sunday morning message at Saylorville. The intent is not for groups to answer every question, but for leaders to use the questions as a guide as they tailor the discussion to the unique needs of their group. The Sunday message and these questions can be found each week at www.saylorvillechurch.com/sermons.

CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP (10-15 MINUTES)

- Pastor began his message by talking about praying for people who fall into three categories: Dear to you;
 Distant from you; and Difficult toward you. Can you think of people in your life in each of those categories?
- As a group, why not take more time than usual to pray as you begin your time together. Pray for the men and women in the three categories above, and pray that you will treat them each like Jesus would.

APPLY THE BIBLE (45-60 MINUTES)

- Remember what you talked about last time. Is there anything you need to follow up on this week?
- Review your Sermon Notes together. What is one thing that sticks out to you about what you learned?
- Read this week's passage together. In his message, Pastor Pat highlighted four key moments during the story of the Last Passover.

To Be Born Again, You Must:

1. The Plot - A Time To Kill (Luke 22:1-6)

- Nicodemus avoided the crowds to *be with* Jesus (John 3), but Judas avoided the crowds to *betray* Jesus. What does your relationship with Jesus look like when nobody is looking?
- Judas would soon betray Jesus, and Jesus would go to the cross and his death. But what does Luke 22:22
 tell us about God's sovereignty and man's responsibility? How might this change the way you look at difficult,
 or even evil circumstances in your life?

2. The Passion - A Time To Fellowship (Luke 22:7-15)

- As a group, take a minute or two to brainstorm all the of disciples' failings and shortcomings that you know of from the New Testament. Now look over Luke 22:14-15 again and talk about the depth of Jesus' desire for these imperfect friends.
- If you are a follower of Jesus, how does it make you feel to know that Jesus still deeply desires to fellowship with you despite all of your failings and shortcomings?

3. The Passover - A Time To Remember (Luke 22:17-20)

- The Passover was full of illustrations and pictures of what God had done for His people. What are some everyday items or experiences that you could use in your own life to remind you of what God has done for you? If you have children, take as many opportunities as you can to use everyday objects to teach eternal lessons!
- During the Lord's Supper (Communion), we are told to participate "in remembrance" of Jesus (1 Corinthians 11:24). How does the bread and the juice remind you of Jesus and what He did for you personally?

4. The Prayer - A Time To Restore (Luke 22:31-32)

• Jesus allows Satan to sift Peter like wheat (just like He did with Job in the Old Testament). But Jesus doesn't turn His back on Peter, He prays for him. When you go through hard times, do you ever assume that Jesus has turned His back on you? Based on this passage, how might your understanding change?

Which one are you right now: Dear to Jesus; Distant from Jesus; or Difficult toward Jesus?

PRAY TOGETHER (5-15 MINUTES)

Praise God for the ways He has been faithful in your lives, and pray that you will be faithful to Him.

