



Sermon Date 5/24/20

Group / Family Discussion Guide – Key passage John 12:36-43

- Where do you find yourself most tempted to seek approval from others?
- How can your search for Love, Acceptance & Approval from man distract you from seeking God first?
- Ed Welch says an approval idol is present “When people are big and God is small”. Do you agree with assessment? Why or Why not?

Read Matthew 6:1-6 together.

- How do these words of Jesus illustrate the dangers of seeking man’s approval over God’s?
- How can performing to receive man’s Love, Acceptance & Approval cause us to develop a ‘work-based theology’?
 - o This is when we believe we have to earn God’s love or ‘pay him back’.

What is the ‘Good News’ also know as the Gospel?

God is the Gospel.

He is an approving Father to all who have become His children by faith in Jesus Christ. He will rescue you from every idol that threatens to distract & destroy you.

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Ask God to remove every idol in your life & help you live for His praise alone.