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JOHN 5:17-23 | WHAT ONE THING? REMEMBERING THE REASON YOU EXIST

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Discussion Questions

Community Groups meet throughout the week and play a crucial role in our response to the preaching of the word. These groups gather to discuss the following questions as we seek to apply the sermon in community with one another. Please visit compassntx.org to join a small group near you.

1. Read **John 5:18**. Read this article (https://carm.org/mormonism/hinckley-says-that-mormons-believe-in-a-different-jesus/) to help clarify the differences between the Mormon Jesus and the biblical Jesus. In light of this, how might you use some of the points from Pastor PJ's sermon in interacting with Mormon missionaries next time they come knocking on your door? How would you defend the necessity of Jesus being equal to the Father?

2. Read **John 5:23**. You get into a conversation with your Muslim neighbor about Jesus, and he tells you that he believes Jesus was a great prophet of Allah but not God. How might you employ the Lord, Liar, Lunatic argument in that situation? What would you say if they responded by denying Jesus ever said the things recorded in the gospels?

3. How would you define what it means to make the worship of Christ the goal of your life? How does this concept work itself out in the way you put the toilet paper back on the holder, in how you plan your open Friday night, in how you respond to the invitation to serve in kids ministry, or in what you do with the bonus you just pulled in at work? What does making worship the goal of your life look like in the mundane aspects of your life?

4. Read **Hebrews 12:1**. In the message, Pastor PJ talked about distractions that can get us off course from our pursuit of the worship of Jesus. In this verse, these may be the weights (things that aren't necessarily sinful but that keep us back or slow us down) that the author speaks of. What are some distractions/weights that you find compete with God's call on your life to worship Jesus in every area?