



It Matters, Pt. 1: Jesus & Me

Life gets busy. Priorities compete. We lose focus on what is most important. About that time, we read the words of Jesus from the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7), and we are called into focus on what really matters. Jesus' words cut through the noise and cause us to pause and take inventory.

Bottom Line: Nothing matters more than your relationship with Jesus Christ.

Discussion Questions

1. What things tend to distract you from your values or priorities?
2. How do you - or can you - keep your priorities aligned?
3. **Read Matthew 7:13-27.** What is your reaction to verses 13-14? How would you respond if someone claimed that Jesus was using hyperbole? How do you think the average person in our culture would respond to verses 21-23? What is the most challenging thing to you from this passage? What is the most encouraging?
4. **Read John 1:1-5, 9-10; 8:12; 12:46.** In what ways have you experienced the light of Jesus in your life?
5. **Read 1 Peter 1:3-9.** What thought stands out to you from this passage? Why? What surprises you?
6. If someone asked you how they could have a growing relationship with Jesus, how would you answer them?
7. What has been the most helpful thought/idea from the message this week? How has that thought/idea helped you?
8. How can the group encourage you this week?