

# **Sermon Discussion Guide**

**January 19, 2025** 

Use this discussion guide with your small group or by yourself, to dig into the text and theme of Sunday's message.

Key Point: To really live, we must die.

## Life Sharing: (answer one)

- 1. What needs to happen for a backyard garden to be successful?
- 2. Are you a "plant-person"? Why or why not?

#### **Transition / Open in prayer**

3. What are some of the things and/or people that have helped you grow in new ways in your life?

#### **Life Examination:**

READ John 12:20-33

4. Why do you think the Greeks wanted to see Jesus?

- 5. What is needed for Jesus to be glorified? What is needed for those who follow Jesus to share in that glory?
- 6. In verse 28 God speaks from heaven. What are the other 2 times when God's voice is heard by the disciples?
- 7. Who is the "prince of this world"?
- 8. How does the cross "draw all people to" Jesus?

#### RFAD Mark 4:26-34

- 9. Why is a seed a good illustration for the Kingdom of God? 10. Verse 28 describes three parts of the grain. If grain is faith, then what could the three parts of faith be?
- 11. Why did Jesus speak using parables?

### **Life Application:**

- 12. Dying to ourselves is a process and takes time. What are some of the parts and processes of dying to self?
- 13. Share a story of a time in your spiritual life when you experienced the death of self.
- 14. What are some things a person can do to ensure they continue to walk in spiritual light, with God?

**Life Prayers:** Pray for one another and ask God to help you walk in the light of His love and grace.