

**Series:** As we move from the series “I Want to Know What Love Is”, we begin this new 6-week series by looking at “Why Jesus” and what it means to have a Kingdom of God Worldview. Then we shift to understanding ourselves to be Christ in the world and what it means to live sacrificially as citizens of the Kingdom of God and yet participants in the material world. Life gets real sometimes, and things get tight. What are we as Christians supposed to do with our resources of time, emotions, and money?

### **Small Group Tools:**

- Weekly 8-12 Minute Video
- Scripture Readings & Reflection Questions for Discussion
- For guidance/direction/help in addressing challenges you may be facing: Coaching available (jeff@pathway.church)

### **Suggested Small Group Order:**

- Informal Fellowship as group members arrive with snacks or meal together (food is good!!)
- Check-in and/or Relationship-building question
- Prayer (for newer groups, always best to ask someone privately beforehand)
- Watch Video
- Discuss video and share responses to Reflection Questions
- Invite group members to share a take-away or personal/group action step
- Closing Prayer (be sure to ask group members how the group can be praying for each other)

### **Do's and Don'ts:**

- DO be flexible... rigidity is not a friend to intimacy and relational growth
- DON'T be afraid to allow questions related to the lesson outside of the suggested ones
- DO encourage group members to read daily life steps
- DON'T forget to read Missional Small Groups by M. Boren if you haven't already!
- DO HAVE FUN TOGETHER!!

## Small Group Game of Thrones Week 2

### **Scriptures and Questions**

Matthew 4:12-25: What do you think drew people to Jesus? How do you think he differed from the religious teachers of this day? (Matthew 7:28-29) What initially drew you to Jesus? If ever, what has turned you off of Jesus and the Church? Are you a doubter, believer, or follower of Jesus? None? All of the above? Explain

Matthew 5:21-48: In what way does this teaching go against the ways of the world? Is Jesus flipping the world upside down or right side up? What about this passage challenges you most? Encourages you?

Matthew 7:1-29: What does this passage tell us about the nature of God? Describe how you feel when reading verse 8. Identify the characteristics/practices this passage uses to describe a disciple. What do verses 13-14 mean to you? Summarize verses 24-27 in a tweet format. If you are going to commit to walking on The Way of Jesus, what needs to change in your life?