



SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM

Sermon: **“Introducing Jesus Christ” (Matthew 17:22-27)**

Date: **February 7, 2021**

Group Discussion Questions

1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the sermon and the Bible passage this week?
2. Verses 22-23 is a repetition of what Jesus had just said on the Mount of Transfiguration earlier in Matthew 17. Why does Jesus continue to repeat these same truths?
3. Why are the disciples “greatly distressed,” (v. 23) by what Jesus had just told them about his coming suffering? How is it that the kingdom of God advances through suffering?
4. Explain what the “two-drachma tax” is (v. 24). What is its significance according to the Old Testament?
5. Jesus was callously received in Capernaum in verse 24. Why is there often a callous reception towards the person and work of Jesus Christ? What does that teach us about the effectiveness of trying to make Jesus more palatable to all people?
6. How does verse 25 subtly hint at the omniscient of Jesus? How does this then demonstrate his divinity?
7. How does Jesus assert his supremacy over the kings and rulers of this world in this passage? How does he assert his supremacy over creation? What are the implications of this for our time?
8. Explain how Jesus provides for Peter in verse 27. What does this teach us about the need for atonement? How does this passage encourage you to trust in the Lord’s provision?