



It's Not About You

Main Scripture: James 4:13-16

Additional Scriptures: Romans 12:1, John 12:22-24

Discussion Questions

- **Read James 4:13-16.** James calls into question our making plans in the future. What are some of the plans or desires that you have that are set in the future that you really are looking forward to?
- Pastor Matt said that when it is all said and done, "It is not about you." Is this easy or hard for you to grasp? Why do you think that is?
- "We want God to use us, but on our terms not His." What are some examples of this?
 - What are some ways that you earnestly desire God to use you?
- What is the Biblical response according to this passage for when things don't go your way? We all know what to say, but how do you really walk verse 15 out?
- What do you do if you know in your head the right answers but your heart is not there yet? How do you get the Biblical truths that you know in your head to deposit into your heart?
- **Read John 12:24-26.** What desires have you had to let die? Have you seen any of those desires fulfilled by the Lord after you gave them up to Him?
- Pastor Matt talked about knowing your place in the Kingdom. What do you think he meant by that? What Scriptures can you use to back that up?
- "Knowing your place and letting God use you does not mean you think less of yourself, just that you think of yourself less." How does this play out in everyday life? In relationships? In the context of your walk with Jesus?
- "You know your place because you know you're loved." Break down what that means and cite some Biblical examples of this truth.
- **Read Romans 12:1.** What does a life offered as a living sacrifice look like? Will it always look the same? What will be different from person to person? What will be a constant?