

Study Guide

John 12:20-36 - Timing is Everything

My Story

1. When do you typically like to arrive for a scheduled event? 30 minutes beforehand, a few minutes early, right on time, fashionably late, whenever I get there is fine? Which of these would cause you the most stress?

Digging Deeper

2. Jesus said several times that "His time/hour had not come" (2:4; 7:6,30). What regarding this request from the Greeks caused Him to say that now it was time?

3. What was Jesus trying to teach through His analogy of the grain of wheat?

4. Compare John 12:35-36 with John 8:12 and 1 John 1:5-7. How are "light" and "darkness" represented in each of these passages?

Reflection

5. The grain of wheat dies in order to bear more "fruit" like itself. In our lives, how does dying-to-self help to multiply the fruit in our lives? What sort of "fruit" are we to bear?

6. How can you be more intentional about reflecting the "light" of Christ in your life?

Taking the Next Step

Read Galatians 5:22-23. Ask God to help you bear more of this kind of fruit in your life this week.

Praises / Prayer Requests

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