

DISCUSSION GUIDE

CORE52 | #13 Jesus Rejected

Psalm 118:22

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The stone the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone

Psalm 118:22 | NIV

- Name as many of Jesus' parables as you can, as a group (there are 36).
 - What is your favorite parable? Why?
 - Read Matthew 21:33-44 or tell the parable.
 - This is the only parable that Jesus told that was ever correctly understood before he explained it. Why? Compare it to other parables.
- Can you describe where you have seen a corner stone, capstone, and a keystone? Maybe pull up some pictures on your phone or TV?
 - How does Jesus represent each of these stones?
- How could you reword Psalm 118:22 into modern language? (ex. The app the Playstore/Apple rejected became the app that changed the world.)
- Talk about the book of Acts. What is the story line? What happens in each chapter (especially through chapter 10)? What stands out in the book?
 - If your group is not too familiar with Acts, spend some extra time in chapters 1-3.
- What people do you see in the Grand Valley? Do you think you regularly see an accurate cross section of community?
- How do you engage people?
 - How do you engage people you know for Christ?
 - How do you engage people you don't know for Christ?
- What needs are you meeting with those in our community?
- How do you continue to gain influence?
- How do you talk about Jesus?
 - How do you talk about Jesus with those you know?
 - How do you talk about Jesus with those you don't know?
- How is it possible that we are so afraid of being weird that we don't talk about Jesus?
 - Can we care more about talking about Jesus than about making a difference in someone's life with Jesus?
 - Do you agree that we should expect some persecution because we are Christians?
- Have you talked with people who think that Christianity is narrow minded because "Jesus is the only way?"
 - Why is it ok to know and believe that Jesus is the only way to heaven?
- If you have time and if you haven't before, go around the room and talk about how each person because a Christian AND how he has made a difference in each person's life.
 - Have you ever shared that with someone in order to help them become a Christian?
- What is the Church's mission or purpose?
 - Is the Church's purpose different than your purpose as a Christian?
- Who do you need to brag to about Jesus?
- Pray together