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**John 12:20-36**

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**NOTES**

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Suggested Questions for Individual  
Study or Group Discussion\*



- Read John 12:20-36 again. Why do you think the Greeks wanted to see Jesus? Why did they approach Philip, and why do you think Philip told Andrew instead of going to Jesus directly?
- In verse 25, Jesus says, “Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.” How do you interpret this? Look up Matthew 10:39, Mark 8:35, and Luke 17:33. What do you see as similarities and differences between the different Gospel accounts of Jesus’ words?
- Read verse 23. What does it mean “to be glorified”? What has been your definition of glory and glorify? What do you think Jesus’ definition of the verb “glorify” is?
- Jesus says in verse 26, “Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.” What do you think is the difference between honor and glory?
- Look at verse 31. How has the ruler of this world been driven out? What is the relationship between “the judgement of this world” and Jesus’ crucifixion?
- Why does Jesus answer (or not answer) their question about the identity of the Son of Man by talking about light and darkness?
- What does it take to become “children of light”? What does it mean to believe in the light?
- What expectations did people have of the Son of Man/the Messiah that Jesus upended, met, or exceeded? What expectations do people have today for the Messiah?

\*Select or adapt questions to fit the needs and makeup of your group.