

**Bible Study: Wednesday March 17, 2021**  
**Sermon: Sunday, March 21, 2021**  
**Scripture: Jeremiah 31:31-34; John 12:20-33**

Questions for Reflection & Discussion:

- In verses 20-22 we learn that some Greeks (gentiles) went and asked to see Jesus. When was the last time you asked to see Jesus? If you were able to spend time with or be with Jesus, what questions would you have for him? What would you talk about? What do you think Jesus would say to you?
- Read verse 25: “Those who love their lives will lose them, and those who hate their lives in this world will keep them forever.” Now think of it like this: “Those who [cherish] their lives will [destroy] them, and those who [disregard their lives for the sake of Jesus, preferring Jesus and his way over their own way] will keep them forever.” Does this change the way you’ve been viewing this passage? What might you need to disregard or give up in order to yield to Jesus’ way?
- Jesus says, in verse 26, “Whoever serves me must follow me...” In this case, “follow” is thought to mean “to join Jesus as a companion on the way.” What implications does this have for how our lives, as those who serve Jesus, are meant to look?
- The last part of our baptismal vows is a question: *According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ’s holy Church and serve as Christ’s representatives in the world?* What does it mean to serve as Christ’s representative in the world?
- Close your group meeting (or personal reflection time) with John Wesley’s Covenant Prayer:

“I am no longer my own, but thine.  
Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.  
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.  
Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,  
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.  
Let me be full, let me be empty.  
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.  
I freely and heartily yield all things  
to thy pleasure and disposal.  
And now, O glorious and blessed God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.  
And the covenant which I have made on earth,  
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.”