

# Grace Group Discussion Guide

## The Greatest Man's Greatest Moment James Prendergast John 3:22-30

### Synopsis:

Kingdom greatness is demonstrated by Christ-exalting and Christ-rejoicing humility.

Greatness in the Kingdom looks like...

1. Resisting Fleshly Comparison
2. Recognizing Sovereign Intervention
3. Resting in Gospel Identity
4. Rejoicing in Humble Decrease

### Questions:

1. In what way was this sermon an encouragement to you this past Sunday?
2. In what ways are you threatened with the popularity of Christ as you consider following him?
3. Read v.27, How does John's perspective of God's sovereignty help himself walk in humility?
4. How can trusting in the sovereignty of God bring about joy filled contentment in your life?
5. How is John an example for us to not elevate pastors on a pedestal but make sure that our spiritual authority always is and will be not the words of a man but the Word of Christ?
6. What does it take for you to be a spotlight for Christ in your families, with your friends, within your ministries, or in your workplace?
7. Why is it critical for Christians to be known for the Joy they have in the Lord?
8. What is glorious about John's pursuit of being forgotten in his ministry?

### Prayer Suggestion:

- Pray for those who are suffering in our church physically. So many have gone through health issues, may the God of all comfort give them peace in a difficult time of life.
- Pray for Joy in our body that we would not be begrudging servants but ones that are thrilled to follow Christ.
- Pray for our Church body to be the spotlight for Christ in their spheres of influence so that Jesus may be glorified

**Missions Prayer Requests:**

From Cory Cramer (Missionary in Pogradec, Albania)

“To our brothers and sisters at Grace Church of the Valley, Greetings in Christ from Pogradec, Albania!

We are so thankful and encouraged. The team that recently came to put on our apologetics conference was a deep encouragement to our church and our family. Christ’s Church Pogradec was equipped to explain their faith and give an answer for the hope they have. What a major blessing!

We are also so excited to welcome Spencer and Tara Long to our team here this year. They are an answer to so many prayers. While we know they will be missed, we can assure you that they are meeting a massive need.

Please pray for our church to continue to grow in its evangelistic heart, so that more Albanians are reaching more Albanians. Pray for the Long family as they continue to raise support and smoothly transition into their future missionary role. Pray for our family to remain dependent upon the Lord and His strength as we build His church.”