10-20-24 Facilitator "Gracious Disagreements"

Pray Together:

1. Worship the LORD for His sufficiency and His authority. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit that while there is no good thing apart from Him, there is nothing we need that He has withheld from us in Christ.

2. How have you lived manipulatively towards people and God rather than seeking their wellbeing? Confess your instinct to use others as selfish and corrupt, asking Jesus to forgive you and change your heart motives.

3. Give thanks to Jesus for how He meets our deepest needs, taking away the very reason we would ever be self-centered! Thank Him for making much of us through His death and resurrection to cleanse us and heal our souls.

4. Pray for our country, especially in our culture's deep trend toward autonomy or independence. Ask the Lord to have mercy on our land, that He would pour out His Spirit on us and move us to repent and return to Him as a people.

5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear His fruit of love and joy in you. Give thanks and pray for His perspective in truth (that we were profoundly guilty and wrong) and grace (that, nevertheless, He has loved and saved us).

General Discussion Questions:

- What encouraged you from the sermon this morning?
- What illustrations or points resonated with you in your personal circumstances?
- What do you love more about Father, Son, and Holy Spirit from Galatians 4:8-20?

Specific Discussion Questions:

- If your disagreements were a weather system, what would they be?
- As God's creation and as His redeemed children, what dignity or status do we share?
- By pride or fear, wavering in unbelief, how do we needlessly submit ourselves to slavery and humiliation?
- By the Gospel, how does Jesus love us and position us to love others?