God's Heart for Every

Learn It:

God's heart is for Christ followers to be unified and that the Gospel is for everyone.

Intro Question: What do you picture Heaven to be like?

Read Revelation 7:9-10

1.) How does the writer of Revelation illustrate heaven? Who will be there?

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., once said "it is appalling that the most segregated hour of Christian America is eleven o'clock on Sunday morning."

2.) If the picture of heaven is so diverse with every tongue, tribe and nation represented, why do you think our churches are often so segregated?

Read John 17:20-21 (Explanation: This is Jesus praying for us today.)

- 1.) What is Jesus praying for? What does He hope to see in the world?
- 2.) What will the impact be?

*Important Point- Oneness does not mean that we don't acknowledge the differences that make us unique. But that we appreciate and value or uniqueness and find Unity in Christ.

The Gospel is meant to go everywhere for everyone.

Read Acts 1:8-9

- 1.) What will be given?
- 2.) For what purpose will the power be given?
- 3.) Where are they to be "His witnesses"?

Explain the significance of Samaria. Samaria was a place that Jews hated. The Samaritans were racially different than the Jews, and there was conflict between the two groups.

- 4.) What is significant about the command to be "His witnesses" in Samaria?
- 5.) Is there anywhere or anyone that is excluded?
- 6.) Why is it crucial to not try to do this in our own power?
- 7.) Why is it important to have Oneness with Christ before we can have oneness with others?

Live it Challenge:

-Share a meal with someone who is different from you. During the meal take the time to ask questions to learn about that person. During this time, focusing on listening to that person.