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Week of February 5

SCRIPTURE

Luke 9:46-56

An argument arose among them concerning which one of them was the greatest. But Jesus, aware of their inner thoughts, took a little child and put it by his side and said to them, “Whoever welcomes this child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me, for the least among all of you is the greatest.”

John answered, “Master, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him because he does not follow with us.” But Jesus said to him, “Do not stop him, for whoever is not against you is for you.”

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to prepare for his arrival, but they did not receive him because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Introductions:

- What is your favorite music?

Scripture Reflection:

- What does this passage tell us about God?
- What does it tell us about people?

Lewis Preaching Sermon:

- What makes conflict so difficult?
- When have you found yourself engaged in the wrong conflict?
- SBJ named that proximity, power, and purity cause in-fighting. Which of those three most challenged you?
- What makes a conflict healthy/good/wise?
- What gifts come from good conflict?

Closing Question & Application:

- What did God say to you during the conversation today?
- How might you live out that learning this week?

Prayer: *(save a little extra time for this)*

This week, do a "hands down/hands up" prayer. Have people place their hands facing down on their laps. Open with prayer and invite people to speak what they need to let go of and give to God. When it feels like everyone who wants to has spoken, invite people to turn their palms up and invite people to a few moments of silence to receive God's forgiveness, grace, love, and peace. Leave a solid minute or two for silence and then say Amen.

Might God be calling you or someone in your group to be a youth leader?