

# FORWARD

church re-imagined

## WEEK 4

### The Last Conversation

Matthew 22:35-40

- What is the purpose of the church?
- Reflect on your experience in our multi-ethnic, multi-generational, multi-socio-economic, multi-educated community of faith. What have you had to "give up" and what have you "gained" in return, to the betterment of the Kingdom of God.
- How do some Christians mix up and interchange doctrines with preferences? What's the difference? What's the danger?
- Dr Korie Little Edwards of Ohio State University conducted a study which showed a multi-ethnic church can only be as diverse as the *comfort* of the whites who are at the table or in the church. How have you personally wrestled with this discomfort? What are the barriers to being comfortable in a multi-ethnic setting?
- How can we intentionally sit at and build tables that are going to be centered on the heart of the Father vs. our own comfort?
- As the leadership team plans the future for what these tables (think old school small group) look like, what is an area, theme, topic, hobby you could lead a table on? Could you invite others to craft with you? Study scripture? Pursue a health journey with you? What areas are you passionate about? What could you invite others to do at your table? Give some practical, real examples where God is prompting you.
- BONUS! Who are you inviting to Easter Sunday with you?