DOING LIFE TOGETHER

11. Is there anyone whose success you have been jealous of? How could you work this week to bring humility to bear on this situation?

12. How might you decrease to self this week and allow Christ to increase in you? Are there any practices you could implement that might help you put this into action?

13. Why is having a "Christ first, then others" attitude essential for doing kingdom work? When we live with an I am second attitude, how does this place us in a better position for Christ to work through us?

Prayer Requests

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I am Second

March 19, 2017 1 Samuel 23:14-18

When F threaten to overwhelm, everyone needs a Jonat
1. Someone who meets us with a S P
2. Someone who gives us an E R A reminder of God's P
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3. Someone who E us with a Sustaining C
Are you ready to be a 'Jonathan' for someone?

What do I need to do with what I've heard today?

GROWTH GROUP HOMEWORK

March 19, 2017

THINKING THINGS THROUGH

- 1. If you have watched any of the "I Am Second" videos or the edited video from Sunday, what do you think about the idea behind the "I Am Second" movement?
- 2. Why is the idea of "I Am Second" so important spiritually and even relationally?

DIGGING DEEPER

READ JOHN 3:22-30

- 3. Why do you think John's disciples told him about the crowds that Jesus was drawing? What might have motivated them to point this out?
- 4. What are some ways that we try and measure ourselves by external circumstances? Why do we do this? What is a better way?
- 5. Who was John and what was his role? How was John able to avoid jealousy and pride at Jesus' growing popularity at the expense of his own? How hard would it be for you to avoid being jealous? Why?

- 6. What does John's attitude teach you about your responsibility as a follower of Christ today?
- 7. What are some of the temptations that make becoming less for the sake of Jesus particularly hard for you to do?

READ PHILIPPIANS 2:1-4

8. What additional insight does this text give us into the impact that our redemption should have on us? What are the implications for our love and service of others?

9. What does it mean to "do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit" (v. 3)? Why are both humility and selflessness vital if we are going to serve others well?

10. If we are following Jesus, being second might not be far enough down the line. Why does love demand that we account others as being more important than ourselves? How can you look out for the interests of others this week?