

## Glory to God...FOREVER

### Discussion Guide

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2. Are you more likely to panic in the big crises or the little ones?

**DIG:**

1. What would motivate these Gentiles in verse 20 to come to Jerusalem during a special time of Jewish patriotism?
2. What was so unique about their request that Philip would filter it through Andrew instead of just going right to Jesus?
3. Jesus has said several times that "His time had not yet come" (2:4; 7:6, 30). What about this request caused Him to say that now His time has come?
4. In His parable in (v. 24), who is the kernel of wheat? How is this request related to the request of these Gentiles?
5. What then is He calling His disciples to do in verse 25-26? What promise do they receive?
6. In verses 27-32, "now" is repeated three times. What things are about to occur? How do these realities affect Jesus? How does He deal with the anxiety?
7. What causes the crowd's confidence in 11:13 to begin to waver in verses 32-34? What do you think might be happening to the celebration at this point?
8. How is Jesus' death (v. 32) related to His being glorified (v. 23)?

**REFLECT:**

1. If you knew that you only had a few more days to live, what would you do differently?
2. From verses 24-26, where is Jesus calling you to "die" so that you may really "live"? What do you tend to hold on to rather than follow Jesus?
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