



Purley Baptist Church

## Discipleship Guide 6<sup>th</sup> Sept 2020

### John 13:1-17 – The King of the Kingdom

**This Week's BIG IDEA:** Leadership can be best summarised in one word: Influence. As Christians we are called to different forms of leadership that must always be carried out with love in our hearts and a towel in our hand as we seek to imitate Jesus' example of servant leadership.

**CONNECT IN:** As you might be meeting for the first time in a while, why not use a few minutes to find out what people did over August.

**CONNECT UP:** Fix your eyes on God and give him an opportunity to speak to you through his Word

**Starter...** Would Jesus have had an Instagram/twitter account? If so how would he have made use of it?

- 1) What truth was Jesus revealing to Peter that he would only understand later? (v.7)
- 2) Do we understand what Jesus was teaching his disciples? V.12 How is this different from what is taught about leadership in our culture?
- 3) Think about leaders in your life: Would you say you've been blessed by them? Would you say the community they are responsible for is showing blessing?
- 4) How does what Jesus teaches in this passage link with what Paul teaches about leadership in 1 Timothy 3:1 and Philippians 2:3 & 4?

**In pairs** (if possible) ...

- 5) We should not shrink from leadership and influence. How are you exercising leadership in the church/family/wider world right now? What should be your 'next steps' to help you become a 'Godly influencer'?

### **Heartbeat**

***'let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith' Heb. 12:2***

On your own or in pairs:

Reflect on the word 'Recalibrate'. Ask the Lord to speak to you about this word. What does that word bring to mind for you?

Think about yourself, our church and community, our nation and the World.

Ask yourself these questions:

What needs to be recalibrated?

And what would you ask God to 'recalibrated' these things to?

Use your ideas as a basis for praying for yourself, others and our hurting world.

**This week:** Make use of the Recalibrate prayer booklet in your personal devotions.