

**Covenant Community Groups – Interactive Study Guide
Week of October 5, 2008**

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- Initial thoughts/questions?
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- How does Jesus pray for people who follow Him (v. 20-26)? How does that compare to the prayer for Himself (v. 1-5)?
- Throughout the Bible, God always seeks his own glory first. Must it be this way? What is the alternative?
- John Piper has often preached, “God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in him.” Agree/disagree? Why? What is the connection between God’s glory and our enjoyment?
- How do you glorify someone or something with your life? Based on that, who or what does your life glorify?
- Practically, what steps can we take to glorify God first and foremost in our lives?

3. Break into smaller groups of men and women to share and pray

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