Divided.

Joshua 22

Focus: on responding to God's faithfulness with faithfulness and unity

Resources:

Here is a link to a map that shows which tribes are east and west of the Jordan River:

https://www.pinterest.com/pin/505951339359527341/?lp=true

NW's 2018 Priority

Bought: we belong to Christ!

we want to …

- be captivated by the truth that we belong to Christ, that we are His people and…

- be in awe of this privilege…

- respond in willing obedience…

- invite others to join us!

Discussion:

• Read Joshua 21.43-45. What is the big emphasis on God's character in these verses and in Joshua so far? How has that been an encouragement to you to read about?

• Read Joshua 22. What strikes you from verse 5 about the life God is calling these tribes to live? What might God be asking you to address in light of this verse?

• What strikes you about this "almost civil-war"? What legitimate factors contributed? What less noble factors played a part?

• One factor for the strife may have been based on a "geographical prejudice" that was causing the western tribes to look down on/ question the eastern tribes belonging to Israel. What factors could make us fall into the same kind of prejudicial thinking? How do we guard against that? What prejudices/biases could make you avoid someone initially at NW?

• How do we keep our common faith in Jesus as a uniting factor that trumps our differences (v. 34)?

• Are there any actions steps for your group to help our church with this issue of prejudicial divisions? for you personally?

Missional Opps! Challenge your group to love a neighbor well at one of these events!

- Take a neighbor to **Six Sundays in Spring** - Melissa Reaves is playing this Sunday evening at Joyner Park.

- Sign up for the **Town of Wake Forest activity email** to you know when events are happening. https:// visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/manage/optin/ea? v=001tY_bKFFKcKwj-

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