

# Weekly Study Guide

The week of August 23, 2015

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## Next Week in Worship

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**Next week's message:** *It is Finished*

**Next week's readings:** John 19

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# Daily Readings

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Monday	<p><b>Read John 17:1-8.</b></p> <p>Jesus prayed for his disciples, whom God brought him “out of the world.” In what way does being a follower of Jesus mean coming out of the rest of the world?</p>
Tuesday	<p><b>Read John 17:9-19.</b></p> <p>Now Jesus is praying for his disciples in a different way. In what way does being a disciple of Jesus mean that you are still “in the world?”</p>
Wednesday	<p><b>Read John 17:20-26.</b></p> <p>Now Jesus is praying for the world. What does he pray? Can you pray this prayer with Jesus?</p>
Thursday	<p><b>Read John 18:1-27.</b></p> <p>Peter is one of Jesus’ most memorable, original disciples. He doesn’t do very well in these verses. Pray today: “Jesus, forgive me for getting your program mixed up like Peter, even perhaps hiding my relationship with you. Make me faithful and bold.”</p>
Friday	<p><b>Read John 18:28-32.</b></p> <p>Jesus is going to die at the hands of the Romans, who had the power to crucify him, as he predicted in John 3:14. It is astounding Jesus was so faithful to his calling that he walked this path, even knowing this destiny. Pray today that God would cultivate faithfulness in our hearts to the callings he has given us.</p>
Saturday	<p><b>Read John 18:33-40.</b></p> <p>Here Jesus makes another claim about the world, “My Kingdom is not of this world.” It may be at least partially in this world, but not of it. How do you see Jesus kingdom as different from the way kingdoms (or powers) work in this world?</p>