# Crosswalk Communities Discussion Guides May 29th

Icebreaker Questions (Pick at the least one question, but use as many as your group feels comfortable)

1. What are your plans for Memorial Day weekend?

### **Bible Study Questions**

- 1. How do you often think of your relationship with God? What is the difference between having a "transactional" relationship with God and one in which you walk "with" God?
- **2.** Are key part of walking humbly with God is letting him set the agenda. When was a time in which God did something completely unplanned in your life? How did you react?
- **3.** Is it easy or hard to allow God to set the agenda? If hard, then why is that?
- **4.** Walking with God humbly requires a teachable spirit. What does it mean to you to be teachable?
- **5.** Read Proverbs 12:1, 13:18, 15:5, 18:2. What do all of these verses have to say about being teachable? Why is it so dangerous to not be teachable?
- **6.** Read Philippians 2:6-11. How does Jesus set the example for humility? What difference does it make to know that God has already taken a posture of humility toward us?
- 7. What most often gets in the way of you walking with God humbly? Control? Arrogance? What needs to change in your life to do this better?

## May 29th: Three Things I Require of You: Walk Humbly With Your God

- I. God invites his people to experience life walking with him

  The command in this verse is to "walk with your God". Humbly tells you how to do it. This command is given in the context of a world that viewed humans as having a transactional relationship with God. But here you have God invited the people to a relationship in which man and God walk side by side.
- We are to approach life with God from a posture of humility:Walking with God is not meant to be a relationship of equals.God is the creator and we are not. We are to approach that relationship with that knowledge.
  - **a.** God sets the agenda: We have a tendency to seek control in our relationship with God. A posture of humility requires us relinquish that control and to let God lead. In life, we should prayerfully make plans believing that God will guide the process. But we should also have a flexibility to embrace it when God does something unexpected.

### b. Develop a teachable spirit

God is a source of infinite wisdom and knowledge. We can easily bring arrogance into our walk with God assuming that we have arrived. In the book of Proverbs, someone who is not teachable is often described as a "fool". Instead, we should approach God with a sense of adventure eager to probe the depth of his wisdom.

#### **Conclusion**

When it comes walking with God, the one person who we would not expect to be humble is God. He is the creator of the universe, infinite power and knowledge. Yet he has already set the example of humility. Out of love for us, he came into this world and took on the nature of a servant, washing the feet of his disciples and ultimately laying down his life. As a result, we are called to do for him what he has already done for us.