

Home group questions: John 12 (Secret of Life)

- What would your life at the moment say to others about what you felt was the secret of life?
- Verse 23 – What do you think it means for the Son of man to be glorified?
- Why do you think Jesus said the hour had now come to be glorified?

- What's been your experience of the principle of verse 24 that life in the Christian life comes through death?

("I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.")

- Verse 25 – In what sense might we be loving our lives too much? What is at stake if we do this?
- What things are you becoming aware that you need to let die, or let go of in order to grow in your relationship with Jesus?

"... every wrong choice I make has a consequence over time. I can either deaden my relationship with God or help it to come more fully alive."

- How does this match with your experience?
- To what extent is it true that in the Christian life self-realisation is discovered in service of others?
- In the light of this passage, how might we be wasting our lives here on earth?

Verse 26 - *Whoever serves me must follow me, and **where I am, there will my servant be also.** Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.*

- Where do you think Jesus would have us be as a church?