

## **For the Joy Set Before Us**

### **Gathering Group Discussion Questions**

#### **Ice Breaker:**

- What is one thing that you enjoy doing during the Christmas season?

#### **Question #1:**

- What is one thing that impacted you from the teaching?
- How might you explain this to someone who did not hear the sermon?

#### **Question #2:**

- What is the difference between joy and happiness?
- What happens when we do not see this difference?

**Question #3:** *Greg spent a significant time talking about the "joy set before" Jesus. Read aloud this passage in Hebrews 12:1-3.*

- What is this "joy set before" him?
- Why is this so crucial?
- How is this a model for us?

#### **Question #4:**

- How will seeing this kind of joy impact our willingness to sacrifice for the sake of others, even when it impacts our circumstantial happiness?
- How will seeing this kind of joy help us endure the circumstantial challenges that we face in the midst of life today? How does it help you right now?