

## 2023 SPRING BIBLE CONFERENCE GBS

### JESUS THE KERNEL OF WHEAT

John 12:20-36

Key Verse: 12:24 "Very truly I tell you, 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."

1. Read verses 20-26. What is the time-background of this passage? Who came to Philip? What did they want? What was Jesus' reply to Andrew and Philip?
2. What is "the hour" referring to (23, 27)? What did Jesus teach his audience by using the analogy of a kernel of wheat? What does it mean to "love your life," and to "hate your life" (25)? What promise does Jesus give to those who serve him?
3. Read verses 27-33. What troubled Jesus' soul (27a; Luke 22:42-44)? But what was Jesus' decision and prayer (27b-28)? What is the meaning of his prayer "Father, glorify your name"? What did Jesus envision to accomplish through his death (31-33)? What does it mean to us?
4. Read verses 34-36. What hindered the crowd from accepting Jesus' teaching (34)? Who is the Son of Man (24; Isa 9:7; Dan 7:13-14)? What was Jesus' urge to them (35-36)?