



Net Group Discussion Guide: Week Two

Black Panther

INTRODUCTION

This week's movie message was based on the film Black Panther. In this message, Ryan challenged our tendency toward self-preservation. He also discussed how that tendency prevents us from living out Christ's command to "love your neighbor as yourself."

GETTING STARTED

What's your favorite Marvel movie? Why?

THINKING THROUGH IT

- Read Mark 10:45. In this weekend's message, Ryan said, "Our life reaches its fullest potential when it's being used to reach those in need." Where have you seen this truth play out in your own life? Where have you been able to help someone in need?
- Watch the film clip under week two at netchurch.cc/atm. In this clip, T'Challa says, "fear kept us from doing what is right." What are some reasons you find it difficult to do what's right in terms of helping those in need?
- Taking that thought a step further, Ryan stated that sometimes we even "justify our non-involvement". He cited a few examples: "I don't have time... I'm not sure what I can do will help... someone else will take care of it." What would you add to this list?
- In this film, Erik (the antagonist), is likable in that he can identify with the needs of those outside Wakanda. Discuss the importance of being able to identify with those you're trying to reach.
- Read Hebrews 2:18. What comfort does this verse provide you? How has Christ's ability to identify with your struggles helped you in your time of need?
- In the movie, T'Challa's uncle became sensitive to the needs around him only after seeing them up close. What are some needs you've seen of late that have created a burden in you?
- What steps are you taking to become more knowledgeable or get more involved with these areas of ministry?

- Are there any other themes you picked up on in this film not covered in Sunday's message that would be worth giving further thought to?

NEXT STEPS

- As a group, look over the list of outreach opportunities available at netchurch.cc/atm. Discuss a few options that might fit best with your members' abilities and/or passions. Assign someone the task of reaching out to any organizations that you decide you'd like to partner with in the next few weeks. Plan to solidify a date for your service project by your next meeting.