

Discussion Guide for "Don't Drink the Kool-aid" Identity Crisis Week 7

Often religion seems to be about conformity, about everyone thinking and acting the same. But in John's vision of the End, we see God's plan is to rescue and restore people from every culture and nation in human history. We'll be together, but the myriad ways we follow God's call will be preserved and celebrated. How can we begin embracing the diversity of God's kingdom in the here and now?

Scriptures for Further Reading

Psalm 97 John 17:20-26 Acts 16:16-34 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 Revelation 22:12-21

Questions for Discussion

- 1. When have you encountered religion that insists on conformity? Why does that seem to be a tendency of religious groups?
- 2. Why does God value diversity? How does diversity flow from calling?
- 3. What does it look like for God to rescue and heal the glory of the nations of the world?
- 4. How does love allow the Church to share in God's oneness while embracing diversity?
- 5. What does it look like for you to embrace diversity in your faith this week?