

LifeGroup Study Sheet
Oct 9th, 2022 – The Journey

This guide is designed to give help you in preparing for group discussion.

Quick Review

Look back from your sermon notes – Was there anything that particularly challenged you from this sermon? Anything you didn't understand, agree with or connect with?

Introduction

Pastor Jeff talked about the world “redefining” a lot of terms in our culture. What used to have a specific definition has often changed over time. How have you seen this in your own life with your family, at work, etc?

Digging In

Question 1: Read Matthew 28:18-20. Pastor Jeff explained that the importance of this verse is crucial for Christ-Followers to understand our “purpose on the Journey.” Why do you think Jesus emphasizes his “authority” in the beginning of these verses? How does Jesus establishing his authority change the way you think about your own life? What implications would be evident in your life that Jesus has “all authority in heaven and on earth?”

Question 2: Stay in Matthew 28:19-20. The first part of Jesus' command is to “therefore, go make disciples.” Pastor Jeff emphasized something we should pause to think about. Jesus didn't say, “go and make decisions.” What do you think this means? How do you reduce your faith to a simple decision you made at a certain time in your life, rather than a commitment to being and making disciples?

Reflect on this statement: “A disciple is not the 2nd level of following Jesus.

Question 3: Continue in Matthew 28:19-20. Pastor Jeff said this statement, “discipleship is not about learning a lesson, but living a lifestyle.” Another way of saying that is “it's not just about our beliefs, but our behavior.”

Read Mark 10:17-23. Use this passage to help answer this question – is it possible to “know” the right things but not “live” the way Jesus calls us to? How does this passage show us that one way or another? Have you seen this in your own life, if so – how?

Question 4: Read Matthew 25:14-30. This parable teaches us something about the importance of the phrase Pastor Jeff said – “discipleship is not just about conversion, but reproduction.” How does the parable of the Talents show this idea? How can you reflect on your own journey with Christ and compare it to this parable?

Taking it Home

Reflect on **2 Corinthians 3:18**

How is God “making you into the image of Jesus” this week?

Praise / Prayer Requests

Pray for your group with these things in mind:

Adoration – How can I praise God for what this teaches me?

Confession – What sin can I confess because of what this teaches me?

Thanksgiving – How can I thank God for what Jesus has done?

Supplication – What do I need to ask of God in order to grow in light of this?