



Life Group Guide

Sunday, February 26, 2017

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COMMUNITY...

Sharing our hearts and lives with each other so we become good friends.

STOP/START! What could you STOP doing that would give you time to START?

LIVE, WORK, PLAY! Share the name of one of your 'neighbors' you are praying for.

DISCIPLESHIP...

Becoming more like Jesus in our character and skilled at doing life as He did.

Helping others come to Jesus, follow Jesus and lead others to follow Jesus also.

Disciple-Maker's Character

Christ-centered: living from your identity in Christ NOT who people think you are.

What is your 'default' setting in how you see yourself? How others see you?

What do these verses (**2 Cor. 3:1-6; 4:1-7; 5:11-21**) say about your identity in Christ?

-3:1-6 _____

-4:1-7 _____

-5:11-21 _____

Disciple-Maker's Life Skills

Praying Effectively: Follow Jesus' pattern for prayer & teaching to persevere

Read Matthew 6:1-15; Luke 11:1-13; Luke 18:1-8

-What does Jesus tell us to pray for in Matt. 6:9-15? Make a list and personalize it.

-Why is persistence so important when praying? What is persistence for? Not for?

Accountability & Prayer Break into smaller groups (men & women)

Creating a safe environment to be vulnerable, honest & accountable to each other.

-Share one thing you would like the group to pray for you this week.

-Pray for each other.

MISSIONAL LIVING...

Encouraging each other to serve people inside and outside the walls of Rockpoint.

Living as Fishers of Men: Share who you are praying for where you live, work & play that our Father would bring to personally trust Jesus to save and change their lives.

Rockpoint Missionary: Pray for your Rockpoint missionary.

Sermon Discussion *Use the following application questions from the sermon.*

As you listened to the message, what thought did our Father impress upon you as to how to apply this message to your life? Why?

Big Idea: To follow Christ as His disciple requires that we move beyond growing in His grace to the adventure of proclaiming His Good News to our world. It is our mission and mandate to share the “excellencies of Him who called us into His marvelous light” with a world in darkness.

Read: 1 Peter 2:9-12 GO Lifestyle: Salt & Light

Radical Difference

“Not of this world”

Radical Engagement

“Sent into the world”

#1 -GOOD NEWS – IN CHRIST, YOU HAVE A NEW IDENTITY. (vv. 9–10)

-Describe what the NEW Identity every believer in Jesus has?

-Which of these new identities is important to you? Why?

#2 -GOOD NEWS – IN CHRIST, YOU HAVE A NEW COMMUNITY! (vv. 9–10)

-What do you think of the statement: ‘Going is NOT just a YOU thing, it is an US thing.’

-How can you GO together WITH others to people where you live, work & play?

-What is the NEW LOVE that we have as Christ followers that is unique & winsome?

#3 -GOOD NEWS – IN CHRIST, WE HAVE EXCELLENT NEWS TO PROCLAIM!

-What do you think of the statement: ‘Your calling is about ‘gossiping’ the Gospel’?

-Which of these new identities is important to you? Why?

-Which of the 4 ‘Universal Questions’ do you think people in your life are asking?

1. Who is God?

3. Can I overcome my past, my guilt?

2. Where is wisdom for life?

4. Does anyone *else* really care about me?

-How do you answer these questions?

GETTING STARTED (vv. 11-12)

-What would happen if our Father unleashed from Rockpoint “a thousand points of light” into the surrounding areas where we each live, work and play?

What do you think about these two statements...

Too much “engagement” without radical “difference” and you lose your “message”.

Too much “different” without “engagement” and you lose your “audience”....

WHO ARE YOUR 5, 3 & 1?

Five people you are praying for to come to personally trust Jesus as their Savior.

Three people you are discipling to come to Jesus, follow Jesus, and help others do the same.

One person who is discipling you, pouring into you, helping you follow Jesus & disciple others.