



Life Group Guide

Sunday, March 12, 2017

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COMMUNITY...

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

PET PEEVE! Share one pet peeve that you have and why.

RELAX! Share one thing that helps you relax.

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

Spirit-filled: living yielded to the Spirit's leading & enabling presence & purpose.

-1 Cor. 2:14-3:3 -Describe the 3 'kinds' of people spoken in these verses.

-1 Thess. 5:19, Eph. 4:30; Acts 5:3,9; Luke 12:10 -What are we NOT to do?

-Gal. 5:16; Eph. 5:18; Jude 20; Rom. 8:4-6,14-16 -What are we to do?

-Rom. 8:26-27, 14:17, 15:13, Gal. 5:16-26 -What do these verses say about the Spirit?

-In your own words, what do these verses say about your relationship with/to the Spirit?

Disciple-Maker's Life Skills

Discipling: Helping a new Christ-follower grow in Christ & disciple others.

-What do you think a new Christian needs? Why? How should that happen?

5 Assurances: Salvation, Answered prayer, Victor over sin, Forgiveness, Guidance

-What verses support each of these assurances needed by a new Christian?

-What experiences / relationships does a new Christian need? Why?

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: Christ followers are changed in relationship with the state as a citizen, and in relationship with the society, so they can avoid two extremes: complete isolation or living as a covert Christian by compromising.

Read: Romans 13 “Living in a Messed Up World”

Write down three key thoughts that come from this passage.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Living Like Jesus in relationship with the State (*Romans 13:1 – 7*)

Live subject to the government since God put it in power for good. (1 – 5)

-Give a couple of examples of what living in submission to the government looks like.

While we are subject to the government, we worship and obey God. (2, 5 – 7)

-Give examples of how obeying God can become secondary to obeying government.

Since every government is subject to God, civil disobedience is justified.

-Give examples of appropriate and inappropriate civil disobedience. Why?

-What can we learn about appropriate civil disobedience from Exodus 1 (midwives); Daniel 1, 3, 6 (Daniel) and Acts 5 (apostles)?

Living Like Jesus in relationship to the world (*Romans 13:8 – 14*)

Love you neighbor (8 – 10)

-Give examples of how you are loving your neighbor. Why is this important?

Be who you are (11 - 14)

-Give examples of how you are living out the true identity that you have in Christ.

-What does it mean to ‘put on the Lord Jesus Christ’?

-What does it mean to make no provision for your flesh and its desires?

Read 1 Thess. 5:8 – armor of light; **Gal. 3:27** – putting on Christ; **Eph. 4:24, Col. 3:10** – New self; **Eph. 6:10 – 17** – the Armor of God.

-What are some specific ways that you are ‘neighboring’ (loving your neighbors)?

-Who can you “mug” with love today? (Luke 10)

-Are you covering up your Christianity or compromising your Christianity?

-What are some practical ways you can practice LLJ (**Living Like Jesus**) each day?