



Life Group Guide

Sunday, April 2, 2017

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COMMUNITY...

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

TEENAGERS! What was 1 of your struggles as a teenager? What impact did it have?

HERO! Who was your hero growing up as a kid? Why was he/she your hero?

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-likeness)

LIVING LOVED: Choosing to live FROM the Father's love of being fully accepted, unconditionally loved and delighted in, not trying to live FOR the Father's love.

-Read John 17 and 1 John 4. What do these passages say about living loved?

Disciple-Maker's Competencies (Life Skills)

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

DISCIPLE MAKING TRIANGLE - Jesus related with those He disciplined with:

Invitation - Jesus invited people to follow Him and enter into a relationship with Him.

Challenge - Jesus challenged those who followed Him to take up their cross, deny themselves & do hard things. Following Jesus involved risk, sacrifice and a servant's heart.

Accountability - Jesus constantly asked His followers how they were doing, 'checking in' on them, and giving feedback as to their actions, motives and ministries.

Accountability



Invitation

Challenge

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

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

-Share one thing you want 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: Having been saved by grace and now living by grace should not lead us to isolate ourselves from the world. Instead of isolation, God calls us to lives of influence. To do this we must embrace being a gospel centered, grace based church.

Moving From Isolation To Influence **Read Romans 15:14-33**

Write down three key thoughts that come from this passage.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

PRINCIPLES TO LIVE BY...

TO MOVE FROM ISOLATION TO INFLUENCE WE HAVE TO BE...

1. **A gospel-centered, grace-based spiritually growing church (15:14)**
Full of goodness... Filled with all knowledge... Able to instruct...
-Of these 3 qualities, which is personal strength? Weakness? How are we as a church?
2. **A gospel-centered, grace-based inviting church (15:15 – 21)**
-Who have you invited to Rockpoint? What keeps you from inviting people to come?
3. **A gospel-centered, grace-based generous church (15:22 – 29)**
-Are you a generous person? Why or why not? How are we as a church in generosity?
4. **A gospel-centered, grace-based praying church (15:30 – 33)**
-Are you a praying person? Do you think we are a praying church? Why or why not?

Our vision will only be reached if we serve together

Acts 20:24 "But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."

- Why is it important to serve together as a church?
- How are we doing in reaching out to non-Christians? How are you reaching out?

When we commit to God's vision we will have opposition.

We only realize the vision God has for us when we totally put our trust in Him.

PRAY...CARE...SHARE...

- Who are you praying for to come to Christ?
- Who are you caring for by befriending and serving them in practical ways?
- Who are you wanting to share your faith story and possibly the Gospel with?