

## COMMUNITY...

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

**ADVICE!** What is the best advice you received regarding work? Regarding marriage?

**DREAMS!** What's something you've always wanted to accomplish, but afraid to do?

## 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 2 Cor. 2:14-3:18. What does this passage say about living loved?

### Disciple-Maker's Competencies (Life Skills)

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

-Help the person you are discipling apply the **GOSPEL GRID** to all of their life.

<u>Question</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Options</u>
What?	Behavior	Do what your flesh wants (sin) or do what God wants (obey)
Why?	Motive	Obey from obligation/duty or opportunity for intimacy/thankful
How?	Method	Try in your flesh or Trust Jesus through the Spirit's enabling
Who?	Source	Your flesh=Self-effort or the Holy Spirit living Jesus' life in you

### 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:** What words should describe us as a church? How about: Proclaiming the gospel & loving people. With the backdrop of a wonderful doctrinal tapestry, Paul weaves love for people as the golden thread that unites us together around the gospel of God's grace. The gospel not only saves, it enables us to fully live together for Christ.

### **Read Romans 16 At the Heart of It All**

**Write down three key thoughts that come from this passage.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

### **PRINCIPLES TO LIVE BY...**

#### **Participate together for the gospel (16:1 – 16)**

1. Take time to listen to God's story through people's lives
  - Ask someone to share their faith story. What about their story is amazing?
  - Are you a 'rememberer' of people's names? How can you get better?
2. Choose to serve with others
  - Jesus' model was always serving WITH someone not serving alone. Why?
  - What makes serving WITH others powerful? Difficult? Examples?
3. Appreciate everyone who serves, especially those who go the extra mile and serve in obscurity
  - Who have you seen serving others without needing recognition?
  - What can you do to learn to serve others without needing recognition?
- 4.. Never let someone go through hard times alone
  - Who is going through a hard time that needs you to come alongside them?
  - What can you do for this person as an 'ALONG-SIDER'? Get specific.

#### **Protect the gospel from dividers (16:17 – 24)**

1. Be wise in what is good
  - What does 16:17 say you should do to those who cause divisions? Why (16:18)?
  - In your words, what does it mean to be wise in what is good (16:19)?
2. Be innocent as to what is evil
  - Give an example from your life what it means to be innocent as to what is evil.

#### **Proclaim the gospel of God's grace for God's glory (16:25 – 27)**

- What one thought encourages you the most from these verses? Why?
- What does it mean to live for God's glory? What does it mean to live by GRACE?