



Life Group Guide
Sunday, November 20, 2016

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I COMMUNITY (15 min.) Introduce yourselves

Thanks! What is Jesus doing in your life that you are most thankful for? Why?

Encouragement! How have you given encouragement to someone this week?

II DISCIPLESHIP

Big Idea: Redemption is the scarlet thread of scripture. This alone proves the Divine authorship of God's Holy Word. Since Scripture is all true and Jesus has changed my life, I am free to love and serve people where I live, work and play. I am empowered to encourage them to consider Jesus' forgiving and redeeming love for themselves.

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?

A. Message Discussion (50 min.) *Use bulletin message notes as you do this!*

Read these key verses and note what each says about how...

The central person of scripture is Jesus.

John 1:1-5; 14 – 18

John 5:39 – 40; 45 – 47

Hebrews 1:1 – 5

1 Peter 1:10; Gal. 4:4, 5

The central message of scripture is salvation

John 3:16

Rom. 15:4

Gen. 3:15; 21

Psalm 22 (crucifixion not invented yet!)

Psalm 34:20; 35:11; 41:9;

Isaiah 9:6, 7; 53 (crucifixion and resurrection)

Zechariah 9:9, 10

Predictions in the Gospels:

Matthew 12:38 – 40; 16:21; 17:9, 23; 20:19; 26:32

Mark 8:31; 9:9; 10:33 – 34; Luke 9:22; 11:29, 30; 18:32 – 33;

John 2:19 – 22; 11: 25

The central command of scripture is love

Matt. 22:34 - 40 – “love one another” as we serve in front of others

John 1:17 – Grace and Truth (one leads to license, the other legalism);
Grace opens up to truth

The central commission of scripture is go

1 Cor. 15:10, 11 - Paul preached ... we get to as well

Matt. 28:18 - 20 - Jesus invites us to invest our lives in making disciple makers

Jesus strategy to make disciples who make disciples who make disciples is:

Going... Go fishing for men/women Bait the hook to see if any are ‘biting’

Baptizing... Connect with other believers in spiritual & growing relationships

Teaching... Equipping (by example) believers to obey Jesus in all things

Discuss what this means today.

How do we, as individual believers, do these three?

How do we, as a church body, do these three?

Which of these three motivations is most powerful for you? Why?

I go (befriend people where I live, work, play) because the Word is true

I go (invite people into my home for hospitality) because Jesus changed my life

I go (invite people to come to Rockpoint with me) because others need Him

List 5 people you can GO to: to love on & ‘go fishing with’ by asking questions concerning what they think about spiritual things, about God, about Jesus, about eternity, about their purpose in life, (any other ‘felt need’), etc.

B. Discipleship Principles (10 min.)

GIVING THANKS! Discuss the following two statements. Give personal examples. One of the key qualities of living as a follower of Jesus is the ability to give thanks to Him in all circumstances. Additionally, thanking those around us is a sign of maturity.

C. Accountability & Prayer (30 min.) Pray for each other

Break into two smaller groups (men & women)

Share how you are doing with your responsibilities (personally, home, work).

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

III MISSIONAL LIVING (15 min.)

Rockpoint Reaching: Serving inside and outside of Rockpoint. Choose 1 this week

How can you serve together as a Life Group within the walls of Rockpoint?

How can you serve together as a Life Group outside the walls of Rockpoint?

Rockpoint Missionary: Pray for your Rockpoint missionary.