



Life Group Guide

Sunday, December 3, 2017

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COMMUNITY...

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

RELAX! Share one thing that helps you relax.

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

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.*

Do You See What I See? Light has Dawned

Do you see what I see? We live in a dark world. A place where answers cannot be found. It is the symbol of light this time of year that reminds us of the hope we have. A promise was given thousands of years ago of a Light that would come into our dark world that would change everything. That true Light has come—do you see Him?

Solution is right in front of our eyes, from without, not within.

“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles – the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned.” Matthew 4:15, 16

**What is the significance of referring to Jesus as ‘The Light’?*

**How did Jesus show Himself to be ‘The Light’?*

Read Isaiah 8:19 – 22 (Maybe read the chapter to get the context of these verses.)

**What is Isaiah’s point in these verses? Put it in your own words.*

“The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him.” John 1:9,10

**In what ways does Jesus enlighten everyone?*

**How do we see that the world did not really know Jesus?*

**Why did many fail to recognize Him? What were they looking for?*

His name is Jesus.

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end” Isaiah 9:6 ,7a

**What attributes are ascribed to Jesus in these verses? Why are they important?*

His solution is grace.

“Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.’” John 8:12
Isaiah 42 – 55 says a Deliverer would come. Read Isaiah 53.

**What does Isaiah 53 say would happen to Jesus? Why would it happen?*

**How is GRACE seen in what Jesus did for mankind on the Cross?*

“But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.” John 1:12

**How does a person receive God’s grace into their life? Have you done that?*