Group Discussion Guide - REACHING OUT

Our Role in Outreach 03/05/2023

I will go so the world will know.

// Main Points

- Our role is to listen when God says "Go"
 - Isaiah 6:8
 - James 1:22-25
 - As followers of Christ we want to always be obedient to what God is asking us to do.
- God already say "Go"
 - Matthew 28:18-20
 - We aren't all called to preach, but we are all called to teach.
 This is the practical step towards making a disciple.
 - o Group Leader, Read 2 Cor 5:16-21 So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. 17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:[a] The old has gone, the new is here! 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry

of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. 20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

- Let's move on what we hear
 - 2 Timothy 3:16-17
 - Psalm 119:105
 - Matthew 4:4
 - We can be a church that merely says, "Everyone deserves to hear the Gospel" OR we can be a church that is moved to action seeing to it that "Everyone hears the Gospel"
 - You have to remember:
 - 1. You can't spread the Gospel when the Gospel is not within you. (Get in the Word regularly)
 - 2. Part of following Jesus is to obey Jesus.

• 3. We are all called to reach out into this world.

// Discussion Questions

- 1. What makes it challenging to listen to God? What makes it easier to listen to and hear from God?
- 2. What does an active faith look like at home, work, the gym, etc? What does it mean to "reconcile people to God" like 2 Corinthians says? How do we *actually do that* in 2023?
- 3. Have you caught yourself using prayer as an escape from doing something? ... from actually talking to someone about Jesus and your faith? What does it look like to move prayer from being an escape to being an empowering moment to fulfill God's will for my life?
- 4. What are some ways that you can better live out the call to "go into all the world"?
- 5. How does understanding that part of obedience to God is by sharing your faith with others impact your desire to see others come to know Jesus as their savior?