

The Journey We Travel: Guide One
This week's reading: Matthew 28:18-20; Matthew 4:18-22

CHECK UP:

Memory Work: We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. - 2 Corinthians 5:20a

Did you reach out to anyone this past week?

What has stuck with you most so far from The Journey We Travel series?

OPEN:

- What was a highlight in your week this past week? What was a particular challenge you had?
- Who did you B.L.E.S.S. this past week? What action steps did you take?

READ and ASK: Matthew 28:18-20; Matthew 4:18-22; Colossians 1:28-29; Ephesians 4:11-16

- What is the mission of the church?
- What is a disciple?
- Renew Network defines a disciple as someone who is following Jesus, being changed by Jesus, and is committed to the mission of Jesus.
 - o How do you see this to be true from the above passages (and from other passages in the New Testament).
 - o Why are all three components of that definition essential?
 - o How does that definition challenge you?

"The church exists for nothing else but to draw men into Christ, to make them little Christs. If they are not doing that, all the cathedrals, clergy, missions, sermons, even the Bible itself, are simply a waste of time. God became Man for no other purpose." - C.S. Lewis

- What is your response to that quote?
- How does it challenge you?
- Why do you think churches get distracted so easily from the fulfilling the great commission?

APPLY:

- How are you following Jesus?

- How are you being changed by Jesus?
- How are you committed to the mission of Jesus?
- NEXT STEP: Take it home exercise: make a list of as many as many people as you can that you know. Go through that list and ask...
 - o Pick one:
 - o Are they a follower of Jesus? If so help them grown.
 - o Not a follower of Jesus? If so, how can you share your faith with them?
 - o Don't know where they are? Learn where they are at in their relationship with God?

"Jesus' final command must be the church's first priority." - Paul Huyghebaert

Memory Work:

Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."

- Matthew 4:19

Next Week's Reading:

Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Judges 2:10-13; Joshua 24:14-15; Ephesians 6:4; Psalm 78:5-8