

Sermon Based Study - Gateway Groups, Merced

"Bond Together/Grow Together"

For the week of 7-31-2022

For You as the Teacher/Host

Remember to begin each Small Group session with a word of prayer. Please keep in mind that the purpose of this curriculum guide is to cultivate a deeper relationship with the Lord and each other through conversation that intentionally engages the weekly message.

Quick Review Discuss the message briefly. Did anything challenge or confuse you?

***Opener Question or Activity:** Have you ever been hired and had to change your personal behavior(not ethics or integrity) in order to work for them? How did that adaptation facilitate your performance?

Sunday's Main Scripture Text: Luke 10:1-24 Investigating Jesus

Digging Deeper: *(Teachers/leaders, feel the freedom to not ask every question)*

1. Pick out the main points Jesus tells the 72 to do or not do(vs. 1-16).
2. What are the similarities to Luke 10:1-16, that you find in Matthew 28:18-20?
3. What parts of this great commission(Matt. 28:18-20) have been easiest for you? Hardest?
4. Discuss what "making disciples of all nations" communicate to you?
5. Paul takes the great commission seriously in 1Cor. 9:19-23. How does Paul adapt himself so that he communicates Jesus' message clearly?
6. How much can you personally adapt to make sure you communicate the gospel? Are there any limits to how you present, where you present or whom you present to?
7. Review vs. 23 in the NIV, ESV and NKJV translations. The most important thing to Paul is the gospel and the shared blessings associated with it. What does it mean for you to remember the priority and the blessings of sharing the gospel this week?

Apply it today: Looking back over this week's teaching, what is most important for you to remember and why? How will you grow in the area you have identified?