Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, December 26, 2021

Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

As disciples of Jesus Christ, our Lord has tasked us with his mission of redemption, reconciliation, and restoration by demonstrating and declaring the good news of the gospel to all people of the world.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION (Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)

- What is the "Missio Dei" (Mission of God), and when did it begin (Matthew 28:16-20; Genesis 3:15)?
- Why did Jesus' disciples gather in Galilee (Matthew 26: 31-32; 28:7, 10)? What is significant about this location (Matthew 4:15-16)?
- Why do you think some doubted and hesitated to worship Jesus (verse 17)? Where do we turn to drive away doubt and find the Truth that bolsters our faith?
- What is the extent of Jesus' authority, and how did he receive it? Discuss how the mission is dependent on Jesus' divinity and authority (verse 18; Philippians 2).
- How is Jesus fulfilling his mission in the world? What is a disciple of Jesus? Are you regularly learning and appropriating the gospel in your life?
- As you live your life, are you seeking opportunities to gospelize (evangelize) to make disciples?
- What is the purpose of baptism? Do you regularly study God's word and submit yourself to sound biblical teaching?
- As you disciple others, are you teaching them to make disciples as well?
- What comforting words did Jesus give to his disciples and us as we carry out his mission in the world? Is your heart aligned with Jesus' heart to seek and save lost sinners?
- Are you leaning on the power of Christ and his Spirit to fuel you for the mission?

