

## **FEBRUARY: MISSIONS, EVANGELISM, & COMMUNITY**

### **February 9th: Understanding The Great Commission**

**Scripture:** Matthew 28:16-20

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- Jesus promises His presence with His disciples until the end of the age. How does this promise provide comfort and assurance in fulfilling the Great Commission?
- In what ways can we experience Jesus' presence today as we carry out His mission?
- Jesus commands His disciples to go to "all nations." How does this reflect God's heart for the world and not just for a specific group or people?
- How can the local church be more intentional about participating in the Great Commission?
- What does it look like for each believer to play a part in fulfilling this mission?
- What role do you personally feel called to play in the Great Commission? Is there a particular area (locally, nationally, or internationally) that you feel burdened for?
- How can individuals overcome fear, doubt, or complacency in responding to Jesus' call to make disciples?
- Given that the disciples were just a small group of ordinary people, what does it teach us about God's ability to use anyone for His purposes in spreading the Gospel?
- How do we reconcile our own limitations with the overwhelming power of Jesus' authority?
- How do we see the early church in the book of Acts responding to the Great Commission? What were the results of their obedience?
- How can the church today learn from the early church's mission efforts?

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### **February 16: Evangelism at Home and The Workplace**

**Scripture:** 1 Peter 3:15, Colossians 4:5

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1 Peter 3:15 urges believers to always be ready to give an answer for the hope within them. What does it mean to be "prepared" for evangelism in our daily environments?
- How can our actions and behavior (beyond words) serve as a witness to Christ in the home and workplace?
- How can you respond respectfully when someone questions or challenges your faith?
- Colossians 4:5 talks about making the most of every opportunity and acting wisely with outsiders. How can this principle apply specifically to your workplace or professional setting?
- How can you use your daily work to model Christian values and make an impact for the gospel?
- What are some practical ways you can create a hospitable environment at home that invites opportunities for spiritual conversations and evangelism?
- Both in the home and workplace, how can our relationships with others open the door for sharing the gospel?
- How do we share our faith in environments where others might be indifferent or hostile to Christianity, whether at work or at home?
- How can you maintain a Christlike attitude when evangelizing in a setting where your beliefs may be seen as controversial or unwelcome?
- What role does prayer play in guiding our approach to evangelism, especially in difficult or sensitive situations?
- What role does listening play in evangelism? How can we use active listening to understand where others are coming from and respond thoughtfully to their questions or doubts?
- Colossians 4:5 emphasizes acting with wisdom toward outsiders. How does personal integrity in the workplace (honesty, fairness, humility) contribute to your evangelistic efforts?

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### **February 23: Evangelism in Community**

**Scripture:** Hebrews 10:24-25, I John 1:7, James 5:14-16

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- Hebrews 10:24-25 encourages believers to “spur one another on toward love and good deeds” and not to neglect meeting together. How does being part of a Christian community support and encourage our personal evangelistic efforts?
- How can community life provide opportunities for evangelism that wouldn't be possible as individuals alone?
- In 1 John 1:7, John talks about walking in the light as He is in the light, and having fellowship with one another. How does fellowship among believers create a stronger witness to non-believers?
- How does being in authentic Christian community (both in and outside the church) shape the way we interact with those who don't know Christ?
- Hebrews 10:24-25 speaks about stirring each other up to love and good works. How can we encourage one another specifically in the area of evangelism?
- What are some practical ways a Christian community (church or small group) can help its members grow in confidence and skill when it comes to sharing the gospel?
- James 5:14-16 highlights the importance of confession, healing, and prayer in the Christian life. How do these practices strengthen the witness of the church and individual believers?
- How can building genuine relationships within our community (church, neighborhood, workplace) pave the way for evangelism?
- In what ways can a Christian community be a light to the world, showing love and care in practical ways that make others curious about our faith?
- How can the way we handle conflicts and forgive one another in the church serve as a testimony to non-believers?
- How does a Christian community, by living out the gospel together, draw others to Christ? What are some examples of a church or group of believers being a witness to the surrounding community through their unity and love for one another?