

You Need a Mission Week 5

1. Catch Up On Life:

This is when we update each other on the things that Jesus has been up to in our lives since we last saw each other. As church family, we care about each other's lives: what we're celebrating, what we're mourning, what decisions we are praying through, and everything in between. (1 Thessalonians 2:8, Romans 12:10 and 15)

- Celebrate the wins where have you seen Jesus working in the last week (shaping you to be more like Himself or working in the lives of those that He's put around you)?
- What (if any) big life updates do you need to catch us up on (positive or negative)?

Pray: Take every opportunity to pray and thank God for the good He's doing in our lives. Ask for help and healing anywhere there is pain.

2. Engage the Heart:

Jesus calls us to walk in the light, confessing our sins to God and each other. God's Spirit works through confession and community to lead us to repentance. (Romans 3:23-24, James 5:16 and 1 John 1:5-10)

- What are you struggling to trust God with this week?
 How can you give God control of it?
- Has the Holy Spirit been prompting you to do anything that you've been resisting? What steps do you need to take to obey?

Pray: James tells us that a community that regularly confesses sin and prays for each other will see a lot of healing. Confess your sins in prayer and pray for each other.

3. Sermon Discussion:

God uses His Word to reveal Himself to us, to equip us to live the good life He's designed for us, to show us our sin, and to strengthen us as we follow Him. We preach the Word on Sundays and apply it as a LifeGroup throughout the week. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Colossians 1:9-12 and James 1:22-25)

Primary Passage: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

Related Passages: Revelation 21:1-5

Read: Have someone read **2 Corinthians 5:14-21**. What stood out from the passage? What does this passage reveal to us about God? What does this passage reveal to us about people?

- What stood out to you from the sermon?
- Last week we said every job comes with its own share of challenges that reflect the Fall that have become completely normative. As a refresher, what are those particular obstacles in your work?
- In the sermon, we said God uses us to be His ministers
 of reconciliation to others. What's one thing you can
 do this week to take the ministry of reconciliation into
 your workplace? (Examples from the sermon included:
 praying before you go into work, grabbing lunch with a
 co-worker, remembering someone's birthday, etc.)
- Take some time now to fill out the top row of the chart for yourself. Then, come together as a LifeGroup and share with everyone your answers. As others share, write theirs down, too. Use the chart as a guide for the week to pray for one another and hold each other accountable.

LifeGroup Member	What one thing will you do this week to take the ministry of reconciliation into your workplace?	What are the specific obstacles that will come up to keep you from doing this?

Pray thanking God that He's given us the ministry of reconciliation through His reconciling work on the Cross. **Pray** for one another that we would carry out this ministry of reconciliation at our work.