

Discussion Guide Week 6: Joining Jesus Mission

Leader notes:

- This should be the final study in the Life on Mission section.

Goals:

- The goal of this section is to help people see themselves as missionaries sent by Jesus. We want to bring together everything we have studied from the Life on Mission studies so far and find our place in Jesus' mission.

Hook - Getting to know one another

- How has your understanding of Jesus' mission changed through the Life on Mission studies? Describe that change.

Book - Scripture

- Read John 20:19 21
 - To be a disciple of Jesus is to be sent by him just as he was sent by the Father. What can we say about how Jesus was sent by the Father?
 - Why was Jesus sent?
 - Who was he sent to?
 - What did he do when he was sent?
 - What was Jesus' mission?
- Read 1 Peter 4:10 11
 - What is the connection between receiving gifts from God and sharing them with others?
 - What does Peter say about speaking and acting here?
 - Do you think Peter is restricting God's gifts to just speaking or serving?
 What all do you think Peter would include under the heading of "gifts"?

Look - Connections to our world today

- Who have you known that seemed to have a clear sense of their mission in life?
 - What did that look like?
 - Was their mission in life about God? If not, have you known someone who had a clear sense of their mission for God?
- Talk about a time when you had a crystal clear vision of how God wanted you to be using you in that season of life.



- What was that like?

Took - Personal Application

- What are the gifts God has given in your life?
 - Name specific resources
 - Natural talents
 - Education and training
 - Spiritual gifts
 - Experiences
 - Access to resources
 - Other
 - What would it mean to use these gifts to serve others for the sake of God's mission?
- In the "Good News in Word" study we talked about sharing our faith in the relationships we are in. What was one or more relationships you wanted to be more intentional about?
- What are the places that came up in the "Good News in Action" study that you feel sent by Jesus to?
- What are the groups or people that came up in the "Good News for the Powerless" study that you feel passionate about?
- What are the groups or people that came up in "Good News for the whole World" study that God put on your heart?
- Take some time this week to pray and reflect on the question "what would joining Jesus's mission look like in your world this year?" Bring together your thoughts and reflections from through this series of studies. Write down your thoughts and share them with each other at your next small group.

Pray