



Sermon Questions

Date: *April 23, 2023* | Scripture: *Matthew 28:18-20*

1. Read the passage from the sermon together. What do you find convicting? What do you find challenging? What do you find confusing?
2. What does it mean to be a disciple? What is included in the concept of discipleship?
3. Who has discipled you in your Christian walk? What communities shaped you in the faith?
4. What intimidates you about making disciples?
5. What motivates you to make disciples even when it's intimidating?
6. What comfort does Matthew 28:20 bring you when it comes to making disciples?

Inward Grace in Action

It is worth noting that our church commits to making disciples *as a church*, not merely as a collection of individuals. We are not sent out as independent mercenary Christians, but as a unified body. Discipleship is something each of us must be involved in and none of us should do in isolation.

- How is your Community Group an avenue of discipleship for those in your group? How do you disciple each other?
- What would it look like to invite non-believing friends to one of your Community Group meetings? How could you make it welcoming?

ACTION: Spend some time (even a whole meeting one week) thinking through what it would look like to structure a future meeting around inviting non-believing friends. This could include:

- Creating a “wish-list” of people you’d love to invite. Talk about your relationship with that person, why you’d like them to come, and what would best serve them if they were to come to a meeting.
- Thinking through what aspects of your usual meetings you’d want to keep and which aspects you’d want to adjust.
- Brainstorming what content you’d like to cover, whether it’s a book study or a passage from Scripture or something else.
- Praying fervently for God to work in the hearts of those on your “wish list” and to open doors for discipleship opportunities.

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Genesis 1:26-30
- Psalm 105
- Isaiah 49:1-18
- Luke 24:36-53
- Acts 1:1-11
- Revelation 7:9-17

Serve: there are lots of opportunities to serve in our church family. [Click Here](#) to serve as a volunteer.

Pray for our local mission partner Bethany House, that their transition into a new office space is smooth and that the Lord continues to provide for their needs as they care for victims of abuse.

Reach out if you need assistance:

- Call our church office at 703.821.0800
- Request aid from our Deacons’ Fund at deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org