Mission: Make Disciples

February 16, 2020



## Reading/Group Discussion

- How did this sermon deepen your faith? How did it challenge you? Explain.
- What resonated with you the most from this sermon? Explain.
- Describe a time in your life when you studied or apprenticed under someone. What was it like?
   What did you learn?
- Dan highlighted **Luke 6:40** which says, "Everyone who is fully trained will be like his teacher." In your own discipleship, what are the areas you have seen real growth in becoming more like Jesus? What are the areas you would like to see more growth?
- Theologian Deitrich Bonhoeffer was convinced he needed a culture and routine that was more powerful than what was happening in Nazi Germany during WWII. What kind of culture would need to exist at our church and in our relationships in order to see people become more like Jesus and less like the world?
- Dan talked about the cost of discipleship and the cost of non-discipleship. Reflect on these
  questions: What has it cost you to follow Jesus? What has it cost you (or others) to not follow
  Jesus?
- In your own life right now: Who is helping you grow as a disciple? Who are you helping to grow as a disciple?
- In the daily work, we read about how Jesus was a Rabbi/Teacher. Do you view Jesus that way? Why or why not? If you do, what is he currently teaching you?
- In what ways have you seen yourself grow to become more like Jesus? What does "being with Jesus" look like for you? In what ways do you excel at "doing what Jesus did?" In what ways are you growing?
- How does this passage, sermon, or daily work challenge you to live differently?

## **Encouragement**

- What do you sense God doing in you that you need to respond to?
- What do you sense God doing around you that you think he is inviting you into?
- What do you sense God doing through you that you need courage for?

## **Accountability**

At this time, the group may want to split into smaller, gendered groups.

- Who are you in God's eyes? Who are you in the eyes of this group?
- What has your time in God's Word and prayer been like this week?
- What have you learned about discipleship this week?
- How have you loved God and loved others this week?
- Who are you trying to connect to Jesus?
- Where have you wrestled with temptation this week?
- What strongholds have you wrestled with this week?

## Looking ahead:

Sunday, April 19, we're canceling regular services at The Creek to get out into our community and love our neighbors in a tangible way. As a part of **Serve Day**, we're praying 2,000 people will take on practical projects, and hopefully through these acts of service, people's hearts will be opened to the love of Jesus.

Our hope is that life groups will choose to participate in Serve Day through DIY projects so they are able to invest in relationships they've already established.

Be sure to check out thecreek.serveday.com for more information and ideas, but for now, begin **talking** and **praying** with your group about how you might be able to engage in The Creek's very first Serve Day.