

FOOTHILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

LIFE NOTES

This guide is to help you facilitate discussion with your Community Group or Family. Use it as a resource to lead your group in discovering and owning the truths of God's Word. The goal of your time is not to answer every question, but to facilitate meaningful and life giving conversation. Some questions might connect with your group more than others, so please focus on the ones pertinent to your group.

LETS GO!

GUEST SPEAKER: GREG STEIR

GETTING STARTED

How would you describe "obedience" to a child? What are the essential components of obedience?

Do you think God would describe it in the same way? Why or Why not?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Mark 1:34-42

After a hectic day of helping others (v 29-34), Jesus needed some time to be alone and pray. What do you think he prayed for? How might this time in prayer relate to Jesus' decision to move on?

How "secretive" was Jesus' ministry, based on the disciples' statement in verse 36?

What did the leper believe to be true about Jesus? Based on what you know about leprosy, why is it worth noting that Jesus "reached out his hand and touched the man"? Read Leviticus 13:1-2,45-46 for insight. What do you think Jesus' touch meant to the leper?

Read John 14:15. Why is obedience an overflow of love for Jesus? What does obedience look like when it's not done from an overflow of love for Jesus?

Why is obedience necessary if you want to be a part of Christ's mission? When might delaying or being disobedient prove a hindrance to that mission?

Have any of your circumstances – job, family, friendships, etc. – changed recently? If so, what new opportunities might exist for you to spread the Gospel?

In addition to a verbal witness, how can we proclaim the gospel in places we go? In what sense do we represent Christ in all those places?

On Sunday, Greg shared the "pray – care – share" principle. Tell the group what area in that cycle you enjoy and comes naturally. Now share the area that is hardest and you need encouragement and accountability. Keep each other accountable and pray for each other as you grow in this principle.

MOVING FORWARD

When it comes to your day-to-day mission as a disciple of Jesus, how much of a priority is time alone with God? What is the greatest obstacle you face in your devotional life?

In mark 1:38-39, can you, like Jesus, confidently say “this is why I have come?” If so, what is your God-given mission, and are you being obedient to it at this time in your life?

If you took Greg’s challenge on Sunday to share, tell you group! Who was God bringing to mind that you need to share with? If you have a story that you’d like to share with Pastor Kyle about this challenge please email it to kyle@foothillsonline.org. We’d love to hear the testimonies!

PRAY

Pray for each other for boldness to share. Pray for the individuals that were shared in your group that God is asking you to share with.

Now, LETS GO!