



For Group Discussion

Answer these questions prior to your Small Group meeting this week.

Introduction

Most people desire to be a “good person.” It’s embedded in our very nature. The problem with this is that most of us define for ourselves what being a “good person” looks like. We come up with attributes like doing good deeds, having integrity, don’t talk bad about others, tell the truth, or making sure our good character outweighs the bad. Although none of this is wrong, it isn’t completely accurate.

Discussion Questions

1. Tell the group something you’ve attempted to do without training? On the other hand... In what ways have you seen training/discipleship/ apprenticeship/mentorship play out in your life?

2. Describe the “good person.” Who comes to mind and why would you consider them good? Read Luke 6:40. Jesus reveals this idea of “training” to be a disciple. Would you describe yourself as a disciple of Jesus? Why?

The “good person” is a disciple of Jesus. Why would a disciple of Jesus be becoming a good person?

3. Read Luke 10:27-37. Based on this parable, what is love? Share the last time you received this kind of love or gave this kind of love. Why is it important for a disciple of Jesus to be an example of this type of love?

Do a quick evaluation of your opportunities to love others well. Where do you feel you are dropping the ball? If you decided to become a disciple of Jesus, what would change?

4. Read John 13:35. Jesus taught that love is the defining characteristic of his disciples. How is this defining characteristic playing out in your life? This coming week, what action steps could you engage in to train your heart and mind to love others well?
Next week, we will hand in our financial commitment to build the Franklin multi-site campus. How is giving above and beyond your normal giving for the next 12 months an act of love?

Small Group Questions Continued

OUTREACH: GROUPS IN ACTION

OUR CHURCH

Help with childcare during Moms Time Out.
Please contact Jody Peak at jodypeak13@gmail.com.

OUR COMMUNITY

Habitat for Humanity is doing a Bargersville build and we need volunteers for 10/13 and 10/15.
Contact Kerry Jones at kjones@eclife.org

OUR WORLD

We have partners in Haiti, Nicaragua and Colombia. Check out the dates for the upcoming trips and as a small group pray for the teams that are going, sponsor a member by helping financially, and/or write letters of encouragement for the members going. The next team is traveling to Nicaragua in October.

Action Step

Fill in the blanks below for this upcoming week.

My action steps are _____

_____.

I’m accountable for _____, and their action steps are

_____.

My memory verse is _____.

This coming week, I’m praying for: