



VISION SUNDAY

January 2, 2022
CG Discussion Guide

CATCHING UP ON LIFE

This is when we update each other on the things that Jesus has been up to in our lives since we last saw each other. As A church family, we care about each other's lives: what we're celebrating, what we're mourning, what decisions we are praying through, and everything in between. (1 Thessalonians 2:8, Romans 12:10 and 15)
Suggested time: 10 minutes

- What can you thank God for this week?
- When were you most aware of Jesus' presence this week?
- When were you least aware of Jesus' presence this week?

REVIEW THE MISSION

Just like God the Father sent Jesus on a mission of reconciliation for us, Jesus sends us out as ambassadors of His reconciliation. We are called to make disciples wherever we go because Jesus changes everything. (John 20:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20) · *Suggested time: 10-15 minutes*

- People:
 - Who in your life (family, coworkers, etc.) can we join you in praying for? Who has God put around you that is showing spiritual interest? Who is hurting and could use some love from our group?
 - Who are the people we are intentionally living on mission with (neighbors, Serve CLT partner organizations, or a specific demographic in Charlotte)? What are our upcoming plans to love, serve, and build relationships with this group?
- Plan:
 - Are there any hangouts already planned, or an extra hangout we could plan to create a way for these friends to connect with our group?
- Pray:
 - Prayer is the fuel of God's mission. Let's pray for our people by name; pray for their needs, and opportunities to have spiritual conversations that help them take next steps toward Jesus.

SCRIPTURE AND SERMON DISCUSSION

God uses His Word to reveal Himself to us, equip us to live the good life He's designed for us, show us our sin, and strengthen us as we follow Him. We preach the Word on Sundays and apply it as a Community Group throughout the week. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Colossians 1:9-12 and James 1:22-25) · *Suggested Time: 30-40 minutes*

Read Galatians 6:1-10 and Recap the Sermon.

1. What stood out to you from the Scriptures or the sermon? What comforted you? What convicted you?

Read Galatians 6:7-8.

2. As you consider the first part of our 2022 vision - Following Jesus - what specific parts of your discipleship to Jesus do you need to step into this year? How is God inviting you this year to Be with Jesus, Become like Jesus, or do what He did?

Read Galatians 6:1-2 and 1 John 4:11.

3. As you consider the second part of our 2022 vision - Together - what are specific ways you can take responsibility for the spiritual health of those in your Community Group (being needed)? What are ways that they can help you (being needy)? How does the gospel of Jesus impact and move us towards these ways?

Read Galatians 6:9.

4. As you consider the third part of our 2022 vision - "with Grit", in what ways are you experiencing weariness in the doing good of following Jesus together? How do you need gospel-driven rest and renewal as you step into this vision of our church this year?

Time of Prayer.

5. Pray for our church as we seek to "Follow Jesus Together with Grit" this year. Pray that God would give us strength to run the long race, not just for one more year but for many more years to come as a church family.

ENGAGE THE HEART

Jesus calls us to walk in the light, confessing our sins to God and each other. God's Spirit works through confession and community to lead us to repentance. (Romans 3:23-24, James 5:16 and 1 John 1:5-10)

Suggested Time: 30-45 minutes