

WEEK APR 18 - APR 24

MAIN IDEA

Commissioned for a purpose.

CHECK IN (HIGHS & LOWS)

A great, quick way to catch the highlights of what is happening in the lives of the people in your group is to take turns quickly sharing the "highs & lows" of your week. High: What was the highlight of your week? Low: What was the low point of your week?

SETTLE IN (ICE BREAKER)

10 min

- 1. Start your time with open prayer. Set a timer for five minutes and leave it open for anyone to pray for what's on their mind. Here are some potential topics:
 - ·For us to view where we live as a mission field
 - ·For our group to continue to learn how to make disciples
 - ·For you to see opportunities to share Christ
- 2. If someone asked you how to evangelize, what would you tell them?

LOOK IN (OBSERVATION)

- Read Matthew 28:18-20. This is a famous passage but let's not gloss over it. Let's focus on every theme presented. What does verse 18 say about what Jesus has been given?
- What are the three things Jesus tells his followers to go do? (This is the Great Commission.)

- 3. Read Acts 2:37-42. How does this progression on Pentecost reflect the **Great Commission?**
- 4. Read Acts 8:26-40. Tell the group something that stands out to you in this story.
- 5. What are the steps that led to the Ethiopian eunuch being baptized?

LOOK UP (UNDERSTANDING) 20 min

- 1. Why is Jesus' authority an important part of the Great Commission?
- 2. Why is your placement/location an important part of your commissioning from Jesus?
- 3. Why is baptism an important step in someone's spiritual journey?
- 4. What are believers called to do after we are baptized?
- 5. What are disciple-makers to do to help people grow after they are baptized?
- 6. What does it look like to learn to obey Jesus commands, instead of just learning what they are?

GEAR UP (APPLICATION)

20 min

- 1. Have you taken the step of baptism? If you have, what does that mean to you? If you haven't, why not?
- 2. How are you committing to learn to obey the commands of Jesus?
- Who is someone God has put in your path to disciple?
- 4. Where do you think you need further equipping to be able to disciple others?

STEP UP (HOMEWORK)

- Begin scheduling your three experiences (prayer, serve, and soul checkup). Put them on the calendar and join together in experiencing God, rich community, and impact.
- 2. Start a new Bible reading plan together. We recommend the Psalms or the book of Acts
- 3. Commit to pray for one person God might be leading you to disciple.