Small Group Questions

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Vision Day 2018



Introduction

This single, stand-alone message looks at the direction of Washington Heights Church for the 2018 year. It all begins with our mission: helping people meet and follow Jesus. That's our heritage and our unrelenting passion going forward. Our values of loving God, loving people, serving the world and inviting a friend help us define the things we do in order to see our mission fulfilled.

In the coming year, we believe that God is leading us to expand our compassion efforts in three ways: 1) establish a full service garage that provides free repairs to seniors, single moms and spouses of deployed servicemen. 2) secure a "safe house" for people being rescued out of human trafficking and/or polygamy. 3) Begin a ministry in the 12th St. prison by brining the service and relationships to inmates on a weekly basis. We also want to bring the Jesus of the Bible to communities where that opportunity does not exist. Finally, we want to help start or strengthen churches in 3rd world. This year, our passion is to expand our compassion.

(Questions to get everyone to participate)

- 1. What vision do you currently possess with your eyes? (i.e. 20/20, etc.)
- 2. Describe something amazing or out of the ordinary you have witnessed?

(Questions based on the primary text)

Read Acts 1:1-11.

- 3. Why do you think that Luke records during the 40 days He appeared to His followers Jesus focused on two main things: convincing proofs that He was alive and the Kingdom of God?
- 4. In :6 it tells us that the disciples asked about when Jesus would restore the kingdom to Israel. What does that tell you about the disciples?
- 5. Based on Jesus' words alone in this section, what is the mission of the church? What are some ways we can get distracted from that mission?
- 6. The places Jesus mentions in :8 begin with the city they are in and move outward to the entire globe. What implications does that have for the church? How might the church get off track with the direction Jesus gives in :8?
- 7. How can your small group be a part of carrying out the mission Jesus describes? How can your small group demonstrated compassion (showing God's love in practical ways) in 2018?