

A People of Hope (Mark 1:14-20)

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Discussion Questions

How long have you and your family been at CCCC? Who/what brought you? Where were you in October of 1993?

Can you tell a story or name something that God has done through CCCC for which you are thankful to God?

The research of George Bullard says that churches reach the peak of their life cycle at around 30 years, but churches can be revitalized to make an impact for generations. Which two of the following four elements must get weighted attention for churches to revitalize? (Vision, Relationships, Ministries, Structure.) Why?

Read Mark 1:14-15.

- What is the kingdom of God? How is related to vision?
- What does it mean that the kingdom is at hand?
- How does one become part of the kingdom of God according to this passage?
- What does it mean to say the kingdom of God is “already / not yet?”
- What part of the kingdom is already?
- What part of the kingdom is not yet?
- How is Christian hope related to the “already/not yet” kingdom?

Read Mark 1:16-10.

- Which of the four elements at play in a churches life cycle does this passage speak to?
- Jesus says he will make his followers fishers of men. How is fishing for fish related to fishing for people?
- What are some practical ways we cast hope to people as “fishers of men?”
- Read the following passages: Matthew 28:19, Acts 1:8, 2 Corinthians 5:20. How do these passages relate to the idea that Jesus makes his followers to become fishers of men?

Based on the vision Bruce shared, see if you (as a group) can remember the significance of the following numbers.

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What is most exciting to you about this vision?

What practical ways do you want to engage with this vision?