

Psalm 127:3-5 New Living Translation

3 Children are a gift from the Lord;
they are a reward from him.

4 Children born to a young man
are like arrows in a warrior's hands.

5 How joyful is the man whose quiver is full of them!

He will not be put to shame when he confronts his accusers at the city gates.

Discussion/Journal Questions

Think back and remember your own graduation from high school. What thoughts and feelings did you have at the time?

If you are a parent, what thoughts and feelings do you have about your child's graduation (past or future)?

Read Psalm 127.3-5. Did your family have a clear direction or target for children? What were the hopes your parents had for you? What hopes do you have for your children?

Read Matthew 10:11-30. What wisdom does Jesus give His disciples as He sends them out for ministry?

In the sermon, Kipp encourages graduates and all Christians to be mindful of the company we keep. Think about your closest friends. What are some examples of how they have influenced you?

How do we balance this advice we our call to go and make disciples in the world?

Jesus paints a picture of a world hostile to the good news of the Kingdom of God. What encouragement does He give His disciples when they face opposition?

How can your group encourage you as you are sent out to your work, your neighborhood, or your family this week?

Who are you praying for to accept Jesus, and what specifically did you do this week to interact with them?

Who are you currently discipling, and what specifically did you do this week to help them know, love, and follow Jesus?

Who are you considering for future discipleship relationships, and what specifically did you do this week to interact with them?