Small Group Questions 4/10.16

Rich Guerra Speaking, Superintendent SoCal Assemblies of God

GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

1. Do you tend to be more of a "play it by the book" or a "rules are meant to be broken" kind of a person? Explain.

On Sunday, Rich Guerra shared with us from Luke 13 about what it means to be "A Church For The Community" - to see other people as God sees them; to go from being a container of God's blessing to being a conduit of God's blessing; to not just be a reservoir of His grace, but a river of grace; and to move beyond not just our own personal response to God's love to now our responsibility to share God's love.

DIGGING DEEPER:

Verse: Luke 13:10-16

Jesus saw this woman. If we want to be like Jesus, we've got to notice people.

2. Where have you ever felt ignored? Where have you ever felt noticed? In either of those scenarios, why do you think that (ignored/noticed) happened? How is paying attention to and seeing people linked to demonstrating the love of Jesus?

Jesus also reached out to the women. He went against social protocol to do it. Love demands our action, even if the action is risky or receives the criticism of others.

3. Why is demonstrating the radical love of Jesus also often risky? What does risky love look like in your world? Who might God be asking you to love that is risky or maybe even not easy for you to love them?

TAKING IT HOME:

It was likely Jesus' life would never intersect the life of this woman again. Yet He seizes the moment to love her anyway. We need to be ready to spontaneously love the people around us.

- 4. What kind of adjustments might you need make to be able to show spontaneous bursts of love to the people in need around you this week?
- SUNDAY GATHERING TIMES Our Sunday Gatherings now begin at 9, 10:30 and 12:30. There is a lunch served between the 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} gatherings.
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