

Opening Question

What's the farthest you've ever traveled, and how did that experience change your perspective?

Watch Lesson

Play video lesson for the group.

Scripture Reading

Read Matthew 28:18–20, John 17:15–18 and Acts 1:8 aloud together.

Observation Questions

1. What command does Jesus give in Matthew 28:18–20?
2. What does John 17:15–18 say about the mission of believers in the world?
3. In Acts 1:8, Jesus sends His disciples out to Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. What areas would be represented by our local, regional, and global missions?
4. How does Jesus model service in these passages?
5. What is a practical way to “go and make disciples”?

Interpretation Questions

1. Why does Jesus emphasize going beyond familiar surroundings?
2. How does personal spiritual growth equip us for “away” missions?
3. What role does gospel community play in sustaining service?
4. How does mission outside your comfort zone demonstrate God's glory?
5. What is the connection between prayer and missional service?

Application Questions

1. What opportunities exist for “away” service in your life or community?
 2. Who can you support in mission work through prayer or partnership?
 3. How might you step beyond your comfort zone to share God’s love?
 4. What practical steps can you take this week to engage in “away” missions?
 5. How can your Core 3 and small group support your “away” mission efforts?
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Further Study Passages:

- Romans 10:14–15 – Preaching and sending workers
 - 1 Corinthians 9:19–23 – Adapting to reach others
 - Revelation 7:9 – Worship from every nation
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Challenge of the Week:

Pray for at least one persecuted or unreached people group daily this week.

Also consider adopting one of the church missionary partners to begin praying for weekly as a small group. Let the church know which missionary partner you’d like to adopt because we’d love to have them come meet your small group the next time they are visiting the church.

Prayer Guide:

- Pray for courage to serve beyond comfort zones.
- Lift up missionaries, persecuted believers, and those in distant ministries.