

"Come to Jesus"

Pastor Steve McGuyre 4-21-2024

## **Consult the Scriptures:**

Matthew 25; 31-40, Mark 1:17, John 21:12, Matthew 11: 28-30, Revelation 22:17

## **Ice Breaker Questions:**

What is it about springtime that you like the most? What activities do you have planned for the summer?

## **Discuss:**

Pastor Steve talked about several kinds of relationships that parallel our relationship with Christ. He mentioned a coach and his player, a father and child, an older Christian and a younger believer, a guide and a traveler, an attorney and his client, and a seasoned teacher helping a novice teacher. Which example do you resonate with the most and why?

Briefly share approximately when you first came to Christ (became a believer and were baptized). Did your salvation experience (being born again) set a precedent for you to "come to Christ" thereafter?

It is not uncommon for a Christian to forget to Come to Christ when life presents challenges. What roadblocks have you faced that caused you to forget this important action? (<u>CG Leader</u> - here you may be thinking about things like busyness, or self-

reasoning, or sin, or recreation, or even spiritual activities like Men's and Ladies's groups or responsibilities at church).

Read Matthew 11: 28-30. What is it about this verse that strikes a chord with you? Brainstorm ways we can turn the truth of this verse into a prayer or praise to God (<u>CG Leader</u> - you may want to save this idea for a closing- in-prayer activity).

Read Matthew 25: 31-40. Why do you suppose it was that the sheep (a metaphor for a believer) were unaware or taken back by what Jesus said they had done for Him? (<u>CG Leader</u> - the idea here is that the believer does works of service with a blind eye to her own credit. She is busy doing things for God's glory and is not so much interested in getting the praise. Focus on the verse that says when you do things for "the least," you do them for Jesus).

Ask the Group - So how are you going to put this Bible sermon into practice. Brainstorm together ways to remind yourselves during the week to Come to Jesus.