

Loving the Local Church

It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that you will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

We first must confess Jesus as Lord, which is foundational to the Christian faith. How does this equip you to storm the gates of hell in order to rescue lost people? How does the local church equip us for this purpose?

Matthew 16:16-19; John. 3:16-17; John 14:9-17

What is the local church missing when it comes to the gospel? Why does it exist? How are you investing your life?

Luke 19:5-27; Luke 15:8-10; Jeremiah 50:6-7

Just as Jesus commissioned his eleven disciples to go, so are we to go and do the same. Name some ways or opportunities that you may have in your "local church" to be like one of the eleven. What are the promises that Jesus says there will be in doing these things? *Matthew 28:18-20; Luke 15:1-7; Mark 16:15-18*

How does loving one another show Christ to lost people? How does our body show how Christ's church is to function? How does loving as God does make us His people? *John 13:34-35; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14; Matthew 25:31-46*

What does it look like in your life to be a fisher of men and to bring people to Christ? Then not only to bring them, but to teach them to do the same. Not only do the same, but to duplicate that-to train fishermen to train fishermen. What may that require of you? What makes the return on that investment so worth it?

Matthew 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; Matthew 19:29

What's Next

- The opportunity to reach lost people this week is yours. The Kingdom is at hand!
- Each one of you is a lighthouse-Shine!
- Ephesians 5-Wake up!