

All That Matters
Part 1: Open Your Eyes
Life Group Discussion

Big Idea

In this week's message, Pastor Ryan introduced our "All That Matters" series and encouraged us to open our eyes to the world around us so we can truly see people and fulfill the Great Commission. When we suffer from spiritual nearsightedness, we don't see people, and we cannot reach who we cannot see. When we do see people, we feel responsible for them and want to do something to meet their needs. Let's be conscious of the people who are around us, listen to them, have compassion on them, and give them what they need in grace and truth.

*"I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest."
John 4:35 NIV*

Talk About It

1. If God answered all of your prayers, would it change the world or just change you? How can we intentionally move our prayers from nearsighted to farsighted?
2. Pastor Ryan said that sometimes we don't see right because we don't see God right. Do think God can't be reached, doesn't want you, or requires a lot from you? Or do you see God as a free gift? As a group, discuss which of these views feels most relatable to you and why. What is the truth?
3. Pastor Ryan talked about our "spiritual spots," which are areas where we're most sensitive, and often need the most encouragement or help from others. In your sphere of influence, how can you foster an environment that allows people to share their "spiritual spot?"

Prayer

Father, thank You for entrusting us with Your people. Help us to see all people like You do so we can serve them and love them unconditionally. Today we pray for divine encounters, compassionate hearts, and the awareness to always speak in grace and truth. Open our eyes, God, so we can change our world. In Your name, Amen.