



Week 1- “Growing Crowds Or Growing People”

Growth in Church is a wonderful thing, however when growing is the main focus then a Church can feel messy. In this series we talk about the incredible growth we are experiencing at RockPoint and how as a Church we don't want growing to taint the mission to be a safe community where anyone can discover, develop, and deepen a relationship with Jesus. In this week's message we look at moments in Jesus' life and ministry. In His ministry we discover the beautiful reality that he was able to stay focused on individual people over growing large crowds.

1. Have you ever experienced a church or organization where the brand or its growth seemed more important than the people? What impact did that have on you?
2. What part of the message stood out to you? Why do you think that particular part stood out to you?
3. RockPoint's mission is to be a safe community where anyone can discover, develop and deepen a relationship with Jesus. What do you think makes a church feel genuinely safe for someone who is skeptical, hurt by church, or unfamiliar with Christianity?
4. What does “being a safe community” mean to you personally?

Read Matthew 8:1-7

5. Jesus' life and ministry focused on individual people, not attracting crowds. What does this say about who He is and what He came to do?

6. How does Jesus' approach with individuals challenge the way church culture typically measures success?

7. Have you been Discipled by someone in your faith journey? If so, who was that person and what growth did you experience?

8. What do you think it practically looks like to participate authentically in a safe community?

Our mission at RockPoint is to be a safe community where anyone can discover, develop, and deepen a relationship with Jesus. Our Vision is to make this mission so authentic, so sustainable, so accessible, and so transferable, that it multiplies gospel-centered, discipleship-driven, safe communities wherever it goes. So as we continue to share the why and how of this vision we are going to look at scripture that describes what the early church did and how they offered the beautiful gift that Jesus gave to their community.