



For Such A Time As This: Week 4, *Add Salt*

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Small Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through “observation” leaving enough time for “reflection”, “discussion”, and “surrender.”

Scripture Reading

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: *What does this scripture passage say?*

Read: Colossians 4:2-6

1. How does Paul describe prayer and what does he want prayer for?
2. What actions does Paul encourage when interacting with “outsiders”?

Reflection and Discussion: *What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures?*

Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

3. Have you ever grown tired of praying for something or someone? Paul says we should “devote” ourselves to and be “watchful” in prayer. Persistence is an expression of faith. God always answers in ways that he knows are best.
 - Where have you been devoted and persistent in prayer?
 - As you have been “watchful,” how has God answered?

4. Paul asked for prayer that he could proclaim the Good News about Christ clearly. No matter what approach to evangelism we use, we should be careful not to obscure the message of the gospel.
 - Read the evangelism styles below. In which “way” are you comfortable and best designed to share the gospel.
 - Where are you hopeful that God will use you to bring Gospel clarity?
 - What does Paul mean by, “seasoned with salt”?

<p>Confrontational: Peter confronts the Jews (Acts 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Confident, controversial, challenging, frontal, courageous, and straightforward - Is it natural for you to confront others because of your personality and gifts?
<p>Intellectual: Paul in Thessalonica and Athens (Acts 17)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Educated, intelligent, cogent, well-reasoned, logical, and accurate - Are you an effective debater? Do you like difficult questions? Do you examine evidence and reason to a conclusion?
<p>Testimonial: Healing the beggar (John 9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Excited, confident, firm, personal, biographical, honest, concise, and powerful - Do you enjoy telling stories of God’s power in your life wherever you are?
<p>Relational: Demon-possessed man (Mark 5)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personal, family-oriented, emotional, patient, passionate, and local - Do you enjoy patiently being with family and friends, praying and waiting for divine opportunities to tell your story?
<p>Invitational: Samaritan woman (John 4)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Persuasive, persistent, opportunistic, and effective for those who are not good at articulating their faith - Do you enjoy inviting others to come and see/hear someone who can explain the gospel effectively?
<p>Serving: Dorcas (Acts 9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Care, tenderness, compassion, love, patience, energy, hospitality, service, and quiet strength - Do you enjoy helping others with chores and projects? Do you enjoy hospitality? Counseling?

Surrender: Responding to God’s voice.

5. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?

**** Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today ****

We’re here!

We would love to hear about how things are going in your small group!

Reach out any time with questions, ideas, thoughts, or concerns.

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