

Hillside Church of Marin Small Group Discussion Guide - 02/04/2024 CELEBRATING THE JOURNEY: PASS IT ON!

Scripture: Ps. 78:1-8; Mat. 28:18-20; 1Cor. 15:3-8

Main Point: We are called to pass on what we've received in Christ, so that people around us and generations beyond us will know Jesus.

GETTING STARTED

Since none of are here by accident, take a moment to share how to first came to faith. Who are some people who "passed it on" to you? How did you first connect at Hillside and how long ago was it?

DISCUSS THE TEXT

Read Psalm 78:1-8

- What stands out to you the most in this passage? Why?
- We read that we are not to hide our faith from the next generation. Next generation doesn't only mean kids or grandkids of your own but anyone younger who comes into your field of influence. What keeps us from being open about our faith with "the next generation?"

Now read Matthew 28:18-20

- Why do you think Jesus chose this as his final words to his followers?
- Why is this passage referred to as "The Great Commission?" (Someone might want to look up the meaning of commission.)
- In your Bibles, circle each action word. Are these optional? Expected? Required?
- How do we respond to this commission?

Finally, read 1 Corinthians 15:3-8

- It starts out saying "For what I received, I passed on to you of first importance..." Do you feel "first importance" around the passing on what you have received (Good News of Jesus) to others? Why? Why not?
- Do you feel confident in passing on the good news of Jesus? Why or why not?

REFLECT AND APPLY

Thinking back on all that we have read, shared and discussed:

- How can you be more intentional about using your gifts, resources, and desires for the Great Commission?
- Who is one person in your life you can begin praying about passing it on to?

PRAYER

Stop and pray for a new boldness and an opportunity to share the good news of Jesus with someone in the days and weeks ahead. As you wrap up tonight, go around the circle and pray for the person on your right.