



COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Week of 7/30/23

Opener (10 minutes or less)

What TV show would you want to be in? Which one would you not want to be in?

DISCUSSION (50 minutes or less)

Begin your discussion time in prayer.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 9:27-38

Questions:

1. What stands out to you from this reading and/or Sunday's teaching? What was challenging, or encouraging?
2. What title did the blind men use to address Jesus, and what does it signify?
3. How did Jesus respond to the plea of the blind men for mercy, and what was the result?
4. Why did Jesus instruct the healed blind men not to tell anyone about their healing?
5. What supernatural ability/spiritual authority did Jesus demonstrate when dealing with the demon-possessed man?
6. In Matthew 9:35, what are the three main activities of Jesus' ministry mentioned?
7. What does Jesus request of His disciples in Matthew 9:38, and what is the significance of this request in the context of His ministry?
8. What is your main takeaway from this section?

PERSONAL (30 minutes or less)

1. Oikos - the 8 to 15 people God supernaturally and strategically places in your life. Any oikos moments you would like to share..
2. What is going on in your life (note prayer requests and praise reports)
3. Pray

Jesus Heals Two Blind Men

27 And as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, “Have mercy on us, Son of David.” **28** When he entered the house, the blind men came to him, and Jesus said to them, “Do you believe that I am able to do this?” They said to him, “Yes, Lord.” **29** Then he touched their eyes, saying, “According to your faith be it done to you.” **30** And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, “See that no one knows about it.” **31** But they went away and spread his fame through all that district.

Jesus Heals a Man Unable to Speak

32 As they were going away, behold, a demon-oppressed man who was mute was brought to him. **33** And when the demon had been cast out, the mute man spoke. And the crowds marveled, saying, “Never was anything like this seen in Israel.” **34** But the Pharisees said, “He casts out demons by the prince of demons.”

The Harvest Is Plentiful, the Laborers Few

35 And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. **36** When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. **37** Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; **38** therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”