

Love Your 8 to 15 Participate

Discuss the following statements

- Our primary purpose is to follow Jesus' mission to seek and save the lost.
- God calls us watchmen, committed to saving others from needless destruction.
- Our oikos gives us the relational means to accomplish this mission and serve as watchmen.

Check out these numbers that show that we can reach the world through OIKOS.

- Jesus had 12 in his oikos – his 12 disciples.
- At Pentecost, there were about 120 present, which is about the number of each disciple's oikos.
- At that time the ratio of believers to nonbelievers was about 1:1,666,667 people.
- Now, that same ratio is about 1:12. (Believers here are evangelical believers)
- Discuss those numbers. Is it what you expected?

So now we have some decisions to make.

- Are you committed to Jesus' mission to seek and save the lost?
- Do you believe that God has placed people in your life who need this from you?
- Are you committed to continue to pray, invest and invite those in your oikos?
- Will you commit to being personally prepared to do this?

I'd like you to spend your remaining time on the preparation we talked about the last two weeks. Review as needed and allow for practice in pairs.

The A-B-C's that you can walk through with a person to commit their life to the LORD.

- Admit – that you are a sinner and need a Savior (Romans 3:23)
- Believe – that Jesus is the only and exact Savior you need (Romans 5:8)
- Commit – to love and follow Jesus Christ (John 1:12).

Your Story / Testimony

- Opening Sentence – It really helps if you know how you will begin each time.
- Before – what life was like before you knew the Lord as you Savior
- When – your conversion experience
- After – what is different about your life now
- a verse that is meaningful to you

CLOSE IN PRAYER

- Pray for your commitment to your Oikos and your preparation for sharing with your Oikos.
- Pray for individual needs
- Pray for your Oikos.

RESOURCES

Sermon

[OIKOS - Prepare](#)

[OIKOS WORKSHOP 2014 PART 4](#)

[The Power in Your Story](#)