

SMALL GROUP GUIDE

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS

Luke is an 'orderly account' of the life of Jesus, and the way of life Jesus invites us into. As we SEE Him, so we see the implication of those words "come follow me." We will kick off 2024 from chapter 3 and work our way through this gospel account.



WHEN YOU MEET:

This discussion relates to the teaching from Sunday 4 August

SERMON: grlc.org.au/grlc-hub/

TESTIMONY TIME: Have one person in the group share what they've been learning about Jesus.

PRAY: Share praise points and pain points, and think about who else around us might need prayer (e.g. Israel and Palestine, Russia and Ukraine, Myanmar)

READ: Luke 9:1-6

DISCUSS: *NOTE: the sermon-specific questions are on the next page...*

1. What especially challenges or inspires you in this passage and why?
2. What does this passage reveal about being God's people in Australia today?
3. What does this passage say about finding and sustaining unity as God's people?
4. What does this passage reveal about identity or purpose as God's people?
5. How does this passage lead you to a greater reliance on the Holy Spirit?

PRAY: Take 10 minutes to work through Examen together. You may want to allow a few moments afterwards for people to share what happened. Find more information and audio files on the website:

<https://grlc.org.au/2020/10/08/daily-examen/>

MORE RESOURCES:

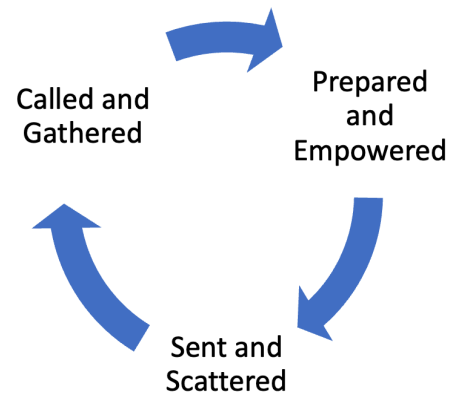
- Discipleship Resources Hub: grlc.org.au/discipleship-resources/
- Latest sermon: <https://grlc.org.au/grlc-hub/>



SERMON SPECIFIC QUESTIONS:

This week Scott highlighted the cycle highlighted in the passage we as disciples experience being called and gathered, prepared and empowered, sent and scattered.

This week we want to especially focus on being sent to proclaim the good news.

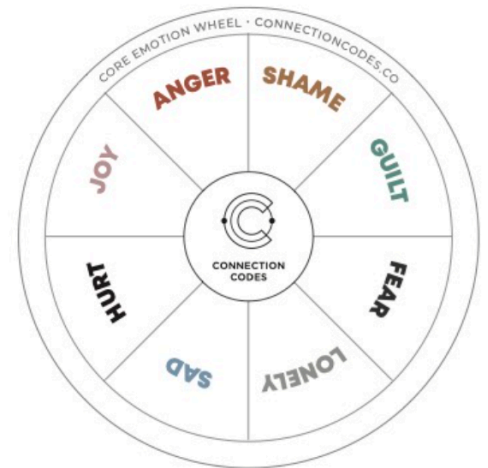


Question 1: V1-2 Discuss what it means to be given power and authority by Jesus? What three things has he given power and authority in?

Question 2: V2 Jesus sent them to proclaim “the kingdom” and v6 “the good news.” Discuss together what you think means. Together try and sketch out the main elements of this good news in simple language - like...

- The good plan of God for everyone -life of relationship and a purpose
- The love and grace of God in the light of our sin - the cross and resurrection
- The invitation of God to return and believe
- The power of God to transform your life now - identity and purpose
- The hope of God for resurrection life beyond it.

Question 3: Proclamation is engaging with another person in a conversation about Jesus (and one or more elements of the Gospel story as above). Using the emotions wheel discuss what emotions you really feel about talking to people about Jesus. (It might be worth also asking each other when was the last time they intentionally shared some aspect of the gospel with another person).



Question 4: Scott shared 3 P's for Proclamation

- Plan for a proclamation opportunity
- Pray for courage and sensitivity to the Spirit
- Prepare in advance what you think you might want to say.

For 5-10 minutes individually consider each P and then share as a whole group.

Finish by praying together for each of these people that you have mentioned.