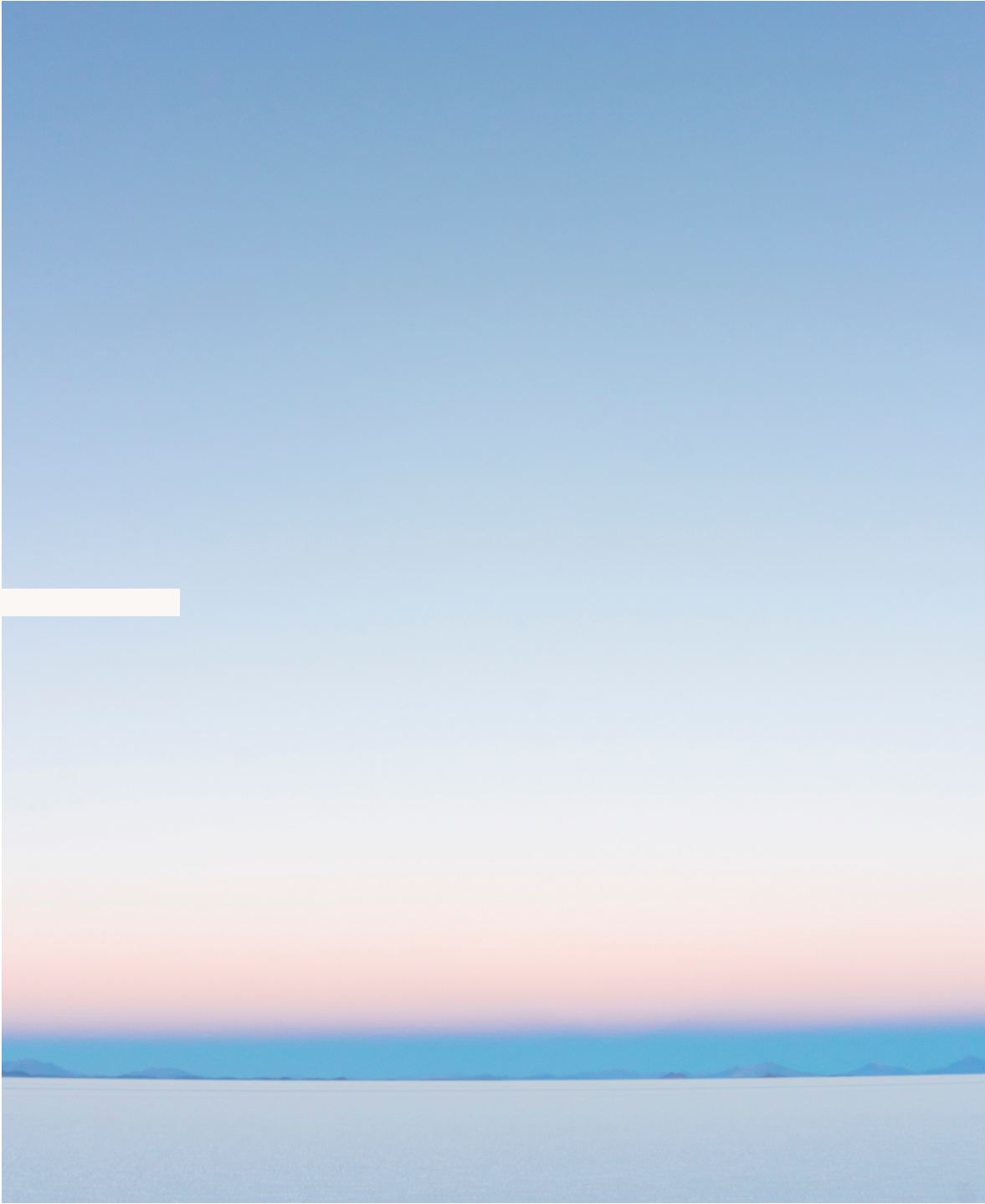


KINGDOM CULTURE



GRACE BIBLE CHURCH

FOLLOW. BECOME. DO.

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REACH
THE ONE



PURPOSE: TO INVITE
OTHERS TO EXPERIENCE
KINGDOM LIFE

KEY VERSES | MATTHEW 9:35-38

DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES

Matthew 28:16-20

When we drop everything to follow Jesus, we are joining him in his mission to restore the world. At the heart of restoration is seeing people step into relationship with Jesus and become more like him over time. Jesus' strategy to "reaching the one" is that we become disciples who make disciples. Reaching the one is all about living a life of invitation to those who don't know Jesus and helping to replicate the life of Jesus in other believers.

INVITATION: WE IMMERSE
PEOPLE IN THE LOVE OF GODS

Jesus teaches us to make disciples along the way. This requires us to learn to be attentive to the Spirit wherever we are. While this may involve forming new relationships, reaching the one often starts within our existing network of relationships. Jesus wants to show you what he is doing in the people you already encounter on a daily basis.

There are five groups of people that each of us regularly interact with:

Family

Friends

Neighbors

Coworkers

Acquaintances

Jesus teaches us to immerse people in God's love.

Whenever we act with a loving, hospitable, encouraging, or healing presence we are immersing people in the reality of God's love for them. This is why serving others is at the heart of reaching the one. As we demonstrate God's love, we can invite people into relationship with Jesus.

Who are you inviting in? Who are you praying in? Who are you introducing to Jesus?

REPLICATION: WE GROW BY HELPING OTHERS GROW

1 Corinthians 11:1

At the heart of becoming more like Jesus is helping others grow. We are disciples who make disciples. Jesus replicated his life in the lives of others, and his disciples replicated the life of Jesus in their disciples. Paul teaches believers to “follow me as I follow Jesus.” He is inviting others to learn their life from Jesus by mimicking his life. In a similar way, we can use our unique gifts, our character, things we’ve learned along the way, and even our weaknesses to guide others in the way of Jesus. Integral to our growth towards maturity is helping others to grow and learning from those who are further along on the journey.

Who are you investing in? Who are you helping become like Jesus? Who is investing in you? Who is helping you to become more like Jesus? What is a next step you can take to grow in this area?

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P R A C T I C E



WITH YOUR GROUP

Tonight, we want to create space for your group to check-in on your experience so far, to reflect on the talk, and to prepare for the week ahead.

Checking In | How has your Daily Time with Jesus been going? How was the Saturday Retreat?

Debriefing the Talk | What stood out to you from the talk? This can be something that was encouraging, challenging or new to you. Do you think of yourself as a disciple? Do you think of yourself as a disciple who makes disciples? When you look at the five groups of people who you interact with regularly, who are you investing in? Who might God be inviting you to invest in more intentionally? What might it look like to immerse people in God's love? What are barriers you face in pursuing this kind of life?

Looking Ahead | Together as a group, read through the practice of “Building Intentional Relationships” you will be practicing on your own throughout the week. Share with the group any hopes, excitement, apprehensions, or fears you have going into it.

O N Y O U R O W N

This week we want to learn to be intentional with the people God has placed in front of us. Choose 5 people you regularly interact with and commit to pray for them daily for the rest of the course.

Use the following groups to help you consider the people in your life:

- Family
- Friends
- Neighbors
- Coworkers
- Acquaintances

Choose 5 people who you see or are in communication with weekly. Try to choose people who do not follow Jesus and/or people who God highlights to you. This may include people who have no faith, some faith, or identify culturally as Christians but are not actively engaging in a relationship with him. As you pray, ask God to show you how to pray with prophetic insight, how you can intentionally bless them, and how you can embody radical hospitality towards them. As you pray for your 5 people every day, pay attention to the opportunities that God places in front of you to encourage, bless, listen to, and minister to them.

DAILY TIME WITH JESUS

Day One | Acts 15

Day Two | Acts 16

Day Three | Acts 17-18

Day Four | Sabbath

Day Five | Acts 19

Day Six | Acts 20

Day Seven | Acts 21

*watch video on acts 21-28