

Global Outreach Sunday March 23 John 20:19-22

WELCOME – Potluck – Sharing a meal together. Icebreaker questions with group members to connect with one another relationally and get everyone comfortable with sharing.

 Ask how they've seen God working in their lives since you met last. (or relating to the previous meeting's discussion)

Why do you think missions is so important?

WORSHIP - after dinner - to draw our hearts to the Lord and invite Him into our discussion

- Join in singing a worship song:
- (found on this link: https://vimeo.com/showcase/11393450)

WORD - Facilitate discussion using the guide below and to consider how the sermon applies to our lives

Focus: Missions

John 20:19-22

- ¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.
- ²¹ Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²² And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

In the message Sunday we learned that God gives wisdom to Daniel to interpret King Nebuchadnezzar's troubling dream. As a result, Daniel and his friends are

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saved from execution, and Daniel has the opportunity to testify to God's power before the king and his court.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does the idea of a "green light" for missions challenge our personal approach to sharing the gospel? What are some fears or hesitations that hold people back?
- 2. The sermon emphasized that missions is not a spectator sport. How can we move from being passive supporters to active participants in God's mission, both individually and as a church?
- 3. The sermon mentioned that "missions starts with hospitality." How can we practice hospitality in a way that advances God's mission, especially among immigrants, international students, and those who feel like outsiders in our community?
- 4. The sermon emphasized that Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit on His disciples before sending them out (John 20:22). How does the Holy Spirit empower us for God's mission, and what difference does it make in overcoming our inadequacies?

WITNESS: Joining Jesus in His mission

In response to what you learned about today, discuss and reflect on the following questions:

What is God challenging you in your heart about missions

Based on what I learned today what are some ways that I will live differently?

How will I apply these scriptures in my day-to-day life?

Take time to pray for each other that God would help us to be actively involved in God's mission

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