

COMMUNITY GROUP

DISCUSSION GUIDE

October 3-4, 2026

WELCOME / OPENING PRAYER

PURPOSE: *We are here as a group to make and multiply disciples.*

DISCUSSION GUIDELINES

RELATIONAL WARMUP: In daily life, what substitutes are you willing to accept in place of the real thing? When will only the real thing do?

SET THE STAGE: The first step in making disciples of Jesus is being one ourselves. It's an essential step that has no substitute. Being a disciple of Jesus isn't just a one-time decision or something we do on our own. It's saying yes to Jesus' call to enter a new relationship of love and trust with God. We depend on the Spirit to change our hearts and actions over time. Being a disciple changes our whole life!

READ THE PASSAGES: *Luke 6:46-49, Romans 12:1-2, Philippians 2:12-13*

HEAD QUESTIONS:

- According to Jesus, what characterizes someone who builds their life on Him?
- What relationship do you see between God's mercy and Paul's call to offer ourselves to God? Why does that order matter?
- What is our role and what is God's role in our obedience? How do the two work together?

HEART QUESTIONS:

- Can you recall times God has shown you mercy? How do these experiences invite you to trust Jesus' lordship?
- Where do you find it difficult to trust and obey the Lord right now?
- If Jesus were forming you in this area of struggle, what kind of change would you hope to see?

HANDS QUESTIONS:

- How might the Spirit be inviting you to rely more on God's work within you?
- What practice or step could help you respond to God's work within you?
- Who could come alongside you in prayer or practice as you grow in this area?

TAKEAWAY

CLOSING PRAYER