To the Ends of the Earth Discussion Guide

Discuss:

- If you have been on a mission trip, what was that like? [5 min]
- What did you learn that you did not know? [5 min]
- What did you find most inspiring? [5 min]
- What are you going to do about it? [5 min]

Scriptures on Social Justice:

- **Psalm 82:3** (ESV) Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.
- **Isaiah 1:17** (ESV) Learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause.
- **Micah 6:8** (ESV) He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?
- Luke 11:42 (ESV) But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and every herb, and neglect justice and the love of God. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others.
- **Deuteronomy 15:11** (NIV) There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your fellow Israelites who are poor and needy in your land.
- **Jeremiah 22:2-3** (NIV) This is what the Lord says: Do what is just and right. Rescue from the hand of the oppressor the one who has been robbed. Do no wrong or violence to the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow, and do not shed innocent blood in this place.
- **Psalm 146:7-9** (NIV) He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free, the Lord gives sight to the blind, the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down, the

Lord loves the righteous. The Lord watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

Five Foundational Great Commissioning Scriptures:

- Matthew 28:18-20 (ESV) And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."
- Mark 16:15-16 (ESV) And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.
- Luke 24:45-49 (ESV) Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."
- John 20:21-23 (ESV) Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.
 As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."
- Acts 1:8 (ESV) But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Prayer:

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