CrossPoint Community Guide

Fully Alive for the Sake of the World | With Jesus First

DINNER & DELIGHT *45 minutes*

- What do you love about being in the presence of Jesus?

STORIES *15min*

- Share 1-2 community member's stories each week (this can happen during dinner if you'd like).

LEARN & STUDY *25 minutes*

Read together: *Mark 3v13-15*

- In Mark 3, what stands out to you about the order of Jesus' call to the twelve? Why did Jesus first call them to be *with* him before sending them out?
- Jesus modeled a life with the Father. Looking at the passages, what patterns do you notice about when, where, and how Jesus spent time with the Father?
    - Matthew 14v23, Mark 1v35, Luke 4v42, 5v16, 6v12
- How does the Holy Spirit make it possible for us to be with Jesus (John 14v16-17)?

Take-home Truth – The Holy Spirit makes the presence of Jesus a present reality.

PRACTICE & IMPLEMENT *40 minutes*

- Jesus regularly withdrew from the crowds and distractions to spend time with the Father. What keeps you from spending intentional time with Jesus?
- The invitation of discipleship is to *be with* Jesus. We often struggle to live this out because we forget he's with us, we're distracted, or we have unconfessed sin. So, let's practice being with Jesus simply for the sake of being with Jesus.
- ***Discipline of Silence***
    - Have one person read John 10v27, *"My sheep hear my voice, I know them, and they follow me."*
    - Set a timer for 3 minutes. In silence, invite everyone to ask Jesus to complete this sentence, ***"[name] I want you to know…"***
    - After the silence, give everyone a moment to write down their response by completing the sentence, ***"I will…"***
    - Invite the group to share their experience. Encourage the community to help discern what God spoke in light of his character and truth of his Word.
- Remember, the goal isn't to force an experience but rather give Jesus our attention and be with him.

REFLECT & PRAY *10 minutes*

- What is one takeaway from your time in community today?
- Pray for our *Strategic Advancement Initiative* as we pray, serve, and give! How will you engage? Scan the QR for details →

➡️ **NEXT WEEK:** *2 Corinthians 3v18, Philippians 2v12-13*