



## What Would Jesus Do?

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CG Discussion Guide

### CATCHING UP ON LIFE

This is when we update each other on the things that Jesus has been up to in our lives since we last saw each other. As A church family, we care about each other's lives: what we're celebrating, what we're mourning, what decisions we are praying through, and everything in between. (1 Thessalonians 2:8, Romans 12:10 and 15)  
*Suggested time: 10 minutes*

- What can you thank God for this week?
- When were you most aware of Jesus' presence this week?
- When were you least aware of Jesus' presence this week?

### REVIEW THE MISSION

Just like God the Father sent Jesus on a mission of reconciliation for us, Jesus sends us out as ambassadors of His reconciliation. We are called to make disciples wherever we go because Jesus changes everything. (John 20:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20) - *Suggested time: 10-15 minutes*

- People:
  - Who in your life (family, coworkers, etc.) can we join you in praying for? Who has God put around you that is showing spiritual interest? Who is hurting and could use some love from our group?
  - Who are the people we are intentionally living on mission with (neighbors, Serve CLT partner organizations, or a specific demographic in Charlotte)? What are our upcoming plans to love, serve, and build relationships with this group?
- Plan:
  - Are there any hangouts already planned, or an extra hangout we could plan to create a way for these friends to connect with our group?
- Pray:
  - Prayer is the fuel of God's mission. Let's pray for our people by name; pray for their needs, and opportunities to have spiritual conversations that help them take next steps toward Jesus.

## SCRIPTURE AND SERMON DISCUSSION

God uses His Word to reveal Himself to us, equip us to live the good life He's designed for us, show us our sin, and strengthen us as we follow Him. We preach the Word on Sundays and apply it as a Community Group throughout the week. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Colossians 1:9-12 and James 1:22-25) · *Suggested Time: 30-40 minutes*

### Read Matthew 4:12-22

1. What is the Holy Spirit showing you in this passage? What does this passage show us about God? What does this passage show us about ourselves?
2. Were there any other passages brought up on Sunday that the Spirit used to speak to you?

### Recap the Sermon

3. What did the Holy Spirit teach you through the sermon? What comforted you? What convicted you?

### Read Matthew 8:18-22 and 16:24-26.

Jesus tells us that it is no small thing to be His disciple. Those who would follow Christ must take up their cross, die to themselves and reorient their entire life around Him.

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4. Take a few minutes to discuss the current habits and rhythms of your life. Are they oriented around a sacrificial following of Jesus or around the things of the world?
5. If you continue the next 10 years with these current habits and rhythms, do you look more like Jesus or less like Jesus?

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION PRACTICE

We want to not simply be hearers of the word, but doers. This week's practice is a Habit Audit. It is designed to help us consider the current rhythms and routines of our lives, and how they are forming us or deforming us as followers of Jesus. The practice guide can be found at [citizenscharlotte.com/do-what-jesus-did](https://citizenscharlotte.com/do-what-jesus-did).

*Questions to Ask:*

1. Any thoughts, creative ideas, or feedback on this coming week's Practice?
2. What is your plan to get 30 minutes this week to work through the habit audit?

**Close in an intentional time of prayer for the next 10 weeks of this sermon series.**

## CARE AND PRAYER

Jesus calls us to walk in the light, confessing our sins to God and each other. God's Spirit works through confession and community to lead us to repentance. (Romans 3:23-24, James 5:16 and 1 John 1:5-10)

*Suggested Time: 30-45 minutes.*