

# LEADER DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Spring 2022

Week of January 30th

Your Best Life

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mens Gathering: Monday, January 31st at 6:30pm
- Rooted Event: Friday, February 11th at 7pm
- Equip Classes are currently meeting on Sunday nights from 5-6:30

### DISCUSSION FOCUS

Read (Primary Text): 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Matthew 28:18-20

Supporting Texts: Romans 10:11-17; Revelation 7:9-10; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23; 1 Corinthians 3:5-9.

### MAIN IDEA:

God is reconciling a people to himself. He made us integral to his ministry of reconciliation.

### OBSERVE

Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 and Matthew 28:18-20

In his final recorded words before ascending back to heaven, what does Jesus tell his followers to do? *Go and make disciples of all nations. (Matthew 28:19)*

What has Christ done for the relationship between those who believe in him and God? *Reconciled us to God. (2 Corinthians 5:18)*

Now that we are in Christ, what ministry has he given to us? *He has given us the ministry of reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:18)*

What term does 2 Corinthians 5 use to describe our work for Christ? *Scripture calls us Christ's ambassador. (2 Corinthians 5:19).*

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### INTERPRET

In Matthew 28, before telling his followers to go and make disciples, Jesus tells them that “all authority” has been given to him. What does this signify?

*It highlights that this is an absolute command, not merely a suggestion and highlights the overriding importance of Christ's command to make disciples.*

What does it mean that Christ has given us the ministry of reconciliation? *Through the gospel God is reconciling rebellious sinful people to himself. He has entrusted those whom he has already reconciled to be the means by which his message of reconciliation is spread to others.*

Read Romans 10:11-17. How do these verses reinforce the importance of our obedience to Christ's Great Commission?

Read Revelation 7: 9-10. How does this passage shed light on Jesus's command to take the gospel to “all nations”?

### RESPOND

How can you be more obedient in joining God on his mission to reconcile people to himself? What does it look like in your everyday life in Tallahassee?

Have you ever considered whether God is calling you to take the gospel to the nations by moving to a foreign country? If not, what is keeping you from even considering that possibility?

### APPLY

In Matthew 28:20, Jesus promises to be with his people to the end of the age. How does that comfort you as you share the gospel? (For other passages that show that God is responsible for the outcome of evangelism and we're only responsible for our obedience see Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23; 1 Corinthians 3:5-9).