ALL IN
DON'T JUST GO TO CHURCH
BE THE CHURCH

GROUPS LEADER **GUIDE**

WEEK 6 - GO: MAKE DISCIPLES

INTRO: WHAT WAS ONE TAKEAWAY YOU HAD FROM PASTOR BRANDEN'S DEVOTIONAL ONLINE? IF YOU HEARD THE SERMON, HOW DOES THAT IMPACT YOUR TAKEAWAY?

SCRIPTURE READING: TAKE SOME TIME TO READ THROUGH MATTHEW 28 AS A GROUP OUT LOUD. WHAT WAS SIGNIFICANT TO YOU NOW THAT YOU'VE HEARD IT?

QUESTIONS:

1. THE GREAT COMMISSION IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT TEXTS IN SCRIPTURE (MATTHEW 28:19-20). I ENCOURAGE YOU TO MEMORIZE IT THIS COMING WEEK. WHEN IT COMES TO "GOING," HOW WOULD YOU EVALUATE YOURSELF WHEN IT COMES TO MAKING DISCIPLES? WHAT DO YOU DO WELL, AND HOW COULD YOU GET BETTER?

2. IN THE FINAL VERSE OF MATTHEW, JESUS SAYS "SURELY I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, TO THE VERY END OF THE AGE." IN THE FIRST CHAPTER OF MATTHEW, GOD TELLS MARY THAT JESUS WILL BE THE ONE CALLED EMMANUEL, OR "GOD WITH US." WHAT IS SIGNIFICANT TO YOU ABOUT THIS PRINCIPLE, THAT GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US NO MATTER THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF OUR LIVES?

3. HOW DOES YOUR FAITH JOURNEY COME OFF TO THOSE WHO DON'T BELIEVE IN CHRIST THROUGH YOUR ACTIONS? DO THEY WANT TO BECOME A DISCIPLE OF JESUS, OR ARE THEY DRIVEN AWAY? TAKE SOME TIME TO HONESTLY REFLECT AND EVEN CONFESS TO THE GROUP HOW YOU CAN GROW INTO CHRISTLIKENESS.

4. WHAT ARE SOME PRACTICAL WAYS THAT YOU INDIVIDUALLY AND AS A GROUP CAN GO TO MAKE DISCIPLES IN OUR COMMUNITIES? WHAT ARE SOME MINISTRIES, NONPROFITS, OR COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES WHERE YOU CAN SHINE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS?

ACTION STEP

TAKE SOME TIME TO MAKE A PLAN AS A GROUP TO SERVE IN A LOCAL MINISTRY, WHETHER IT IS AT CHRIST WESLEYAN OR NOT. THERE ARE MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE. AS IT SAYS IN SCRIPTURE, "THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL BUT THE WORKERS ARE FEW" (MATTHEW 9:37).

HERE ARE A FEW IDEAS FOR SERVING OPPORTUNITIES:

EXPECTATIONS WOMEN'S CENTER (OR OTHER PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTERS)

LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

RIDE-SHARE PROGRAMS (VAN MINISTRIES AT MOST CHURCHES)

VISITING SHUT-INS OR HOSPITAL PATIENTS

PRAYER MINISTRIES AT YOUR CHURCH

CLOSING ACTIONS

TAKE SOME TIME TO COLLECT **PRAYER REQUESTS** AND **PRAISES**. WRITE THEM IN A GROUP CHAT (LIKE YOUR CHURCH CENTER MESSAGES) SO THAT OTHERS CAN PRAY IF THEY COULDN'T MAKE IT.

TAKE SOME TIME TO ANNOUNCE PERSONAL AND CHURCH EVENTS THAT ARE COMING UP! IT'S A GREAT WAY TO HAVE FUN AND GROW AS A GROUP.