



DISCIPLESHIP
OUR PURPOSE



UCJC REFLECTION QUESTIONS

Sunday, September 4, 2022

Title: The Movement: Jesus' Vision For The Church - Pastor Harold McKenzie

Key Scriptures: Matthew 28:19-20, Matthew 4:19, Acts 1:8, Matthew 10:8, Luke 19:10, 2 Corinthians 5:19, Ephesians 1:22, Colossians 1:18, Acts 2, Acts 4, Acts 8

Reflection Questions:

1. In Matthew 4:19, Jesus gave the call to follow Him. List or discuss 2 or 3 specific ways that show what it means to be a disciple of Christ?
2. Since we are blessed so that we can be a blessing to others, how is your life directly impacting someone else's spiritually, and how are you leading others into salvation?
3. Jesus said, "Freely you have received, freely give." (Matt. 10:8) Meditate on this passage. What are some ways this scripture can come alive in your daily life?
4. Pastor Mac mentioned that being a disciple and making disciples is directly tied to our purpose as Christians. Does this cause you to think differently about being a Christian? If so, what adjustments can you make?

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Sunday, September 11, 2022

Title: Discipleship: Submission, Depth & Impact - Pastor Vernon Davis

Key Scriptures: John 8:28-32 (KJV), Mark 10:17-23 (KJV), Mark 10:20-21 (AMPC)

Reflection Questions:

1. To be a disciple, we must allow everything about who we are to come under the Lordship of Jesus. What are some areas He may be asking you to submit in order for you to live as a disciple in greater measure?
2. Disciples are not nonchalant. They are not content to stand on the sidelines:
 1. They desire to continually go deeper in God. **What can you do to live out discipleship in how you feed yourself by seeking God and going deeper?**
 2. They live as “ambassadors” - those who represent and advance the culture of the Kingdom on earth (Heaven’s ways, thoughts, priorities etc.). **What can you do to live out discipleship in how you display the Kingdom through your life and represent God to others?**
 3. They find ways to give away what they are receiving from God. **What can you do to live out discipleship in how you feed, build and pour into others?**

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Sunday, September 18, 2022

Title: Discipleship: The Commitment to Live as a Disciple - Pastor McKenzie

Key Scriptures: Matthew 4:19, Luke 14:26-28, 33, Proverbs 9:10, Philippians 2:5-8, Romans 12:1
Ephesians 4:14, James 1:22-25, Hebrews 5:11-14

Reflection Questions:

1. In scripture passages like Luke 14:26-33, Jesus makes clear the kind of commitment required to be His disciples. What does it look like for you to “count the cost” in your life?
2. As a disciple of Jesus Christ how should your desire to honor, obey and serve Him make you a better person, student, worker, spouse, parent, leader, etc.?
3. Read James 1:22-25 and Hebrews 5:11-14. How can your commitment to spiritual growth and maturity position you to have a positive impact on the world around you, in contrast to the less than positive depiction of Christians in those passages?
4. The commitment to become a disciple of Jesus Christ comes with the promise of transformation as you become yoked to, and walk side by side with Jesus as His apprentice.
 - o What area of apprenticeship appears to be a challenge for you?
 - o How would you like Jesus to help you grow and overcome those challenges?
 - i. Pray this desire, and rely on His work in your life to see victory

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Sunday, September 25, 2022

Title: Equipped - Pastor Harold McKenzie

Key Scriptures: Matthew 4:19 (NASB), 2 Timothy 2:22 (NLT), Ephesians 4:11-16 (NLT), Matthew 10:8, Matthew 28:19, Romans 8:15-16, Acts 2:42, Romans 16:5, Hebrews 10:25

Reflection Questions:

1. We learned that we've been given 4 tools to impact everyone we meet (1. His spirit, 2. His name, 3. Assembly of the church body, 4. Leaders). During the week how will you use these tools with family, friends and co-workers so they will experience "Father" through you?
2. Pastor Mackenzie challenged us to strengthen our sensitivity to the leading of the Holy Spirit. What are 3 ways you can strengthen your connection and sensitivity to the Spirit's guidance?
3. As reflecting on your discipleship this week, ask yourself, is Jesus my #1 priority. If so:
 - a. What is governing my mind, is it flesh/earthly things or His Spirit?
 - b. Am I consistently allowing the Father to direct all that I do?
 - c. Am I a good representation of Him?
4. **Fellowship:** There are many ways and traditions in how we gather, but really take a moment to think of all the things you're involved in:
 - a. Are there things building you up in your faith?
 - b. Are they resulting in quality relationships and/or opportunities to share Christ with others?
 - c. Are you taking advantage of fellowship opportunities at UCJC to strengthen your individual and corporate spiritual walk?
5. Reflecting to Ephesians 4:16, as we contribute in the ways God has designed for us, the church is stronger and more effective. So, how can you ensure not just your own spiritual growth, but that you are contributing in the ways God has called you to, as a part of His body?

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Sunday, October 2, 2022

Title: Building Your Life On A Solid Foundation - Pastor Harold McKenzie

Key Scriptures: Matthew 7:24-25; 2 Corinthians 5:19; Matthew 6:9; Romans 11:33; Psalm 27:8 (AMP); Matthew 7:7; Psalm 22:3

Reflection Questions:

1. Jesus modeled and taught His disciples about cultivating an intimate relationship with God. What are some ways you can do the same for those in your life?
2. One of the ways we can cultivate our relationship with God is learning how to commune with Him throughout our day. What are some ways you can acknowledge God and “do life” with Him throughout your day vs. merely limiting him to just a set devotional time?
3. In Matthew 7:24-25, Jesus shared that building our lives on a solid foundation keeps us standing during the difficulties of life. Give some examples of how growing in your relationship and knowledge of God has strengthened you when you’ve gone through trials.
4. Pastor Mac reminded us that our spirit is always in communion with God, however we must work at aligning our mind and soul to become more effective disciples. What things can you do to improve this alignment?

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UCJC REFLECTION QUESTIONS

Sunday, October 9, 2022

Title: Building Our Lives On A Solid Foundation Pt2 - Pastor Harold McKenzie

Key Scriptures: John 13:34, John 17:21, Hebrews 11:6, 2 Corinthians 5:7, Hebrews 4:15-16 (NLT), 2 Corinthians 12:9, Mark 9:23-24, Romans 6:11 (AMP), 1 Thessalonians 5:19, Ephesians 4:27, Romans 8:28, Romans 5:3-4, James 1:2-4, 1 Peter 1:6-7

Reflection Questions:

1. Pastor McKenzie stated, "your faith activates His power." Can you list situations in your life where you have seen God respond to your faith?
2. Are there any areas in your life that could undermine your witness? If so, do you know what is causing you to live inconsistently? What can you do to be better aligned with the character of Jesus?
3. You may know someone who has been negatively impacted by experiences with other Christians and/or churches. Following Jesus's example of valuing and loving others, what are some examples of ways you can be a part of restoring their foundation?
4. Reflect on Romans 8:28, Romans 5:3-4, James 1:2-4, and 1 Peter 1:6-7 and recall some of your times of adversity. Can you share some areas of spiritual growth you've seen as a result of what you've been through?
5. How does knowing that God loves you and has a redemptive plan impact how you handle suffering?

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Sunday, October 16, 2022

Title: Loving And Reaching The World Like Jesus - Pastor Harold McKenzie

Key Scriptures: Matthew 28:19-20 (NASB), 2 Corinthians 5:19-20, Matthew 5:13-16(MSG), Mathew 3:13(MSG), 1 John 2:15; Romans 12:2, Mark 12:30-31, John 8:32, Luke 2:10

Reflection Questions:

1. In Matthew 28:19-20, Jesus promised He'd be WITH us as we go to the world and make disciples. How can understanding the reality of His presence being with you empower you to engage the world?
2. In order to love and reach people like Jesus, we must be willing to love them where they are without compromising Biblical truth, even on controversial issues. Discuss or reflect on what this could look like practically in your relationships.
3. Pastor Mckenzie said, ***“As Christians, we are Jesus’s principle outreach program. When the world interacts with us, they should see Him. Where light is not present or active, darkness prevails.”*** In light of this, consider the following questions:
 - a. How does that knowledge impact your perspective of who you are and the impact you have on the world?
 - b. How can having a lifestyle that mirrors that of the people we are sent to reach hinder our effectiveness in winning souls for Jesus?
 - c. What are some things you can do to love and reach your neighbors, family, coworkers and others in your sphere of influence for Jesus?
 - d. Like Jesus with the woman at the well, how can we inspire people to turn from their sin while also not being condemning - how do we relate to others in truth *and* love together?

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Sunday, October 23, 2022

A Conversation with Missionary Tennie Shade

Key Scriptures: Matthew 28, Psalm 73:26, Psalm 46:10, Isaiah 58

Reflection Questions:

1. Missionary Tennie Shade gave us 3 tips on how to approach discipleship and purpose:
 - a. **Get with God** - What does your prayer and worship time with Father look like?
 - b. **Prepare Your Heart** - How will you seek spiritual resilience and strength to avoid being deterred and easily offended?
 - c. **Expect Resistance** - People in your sphere may not be ready to hear, feel, experience Father. Ask father to use you. Give you the words and guide your behaviors
2. Missionary Tennie shared that missionary work is not just "going" but it is also praying for and supporting those that do go. Pray and consider ways that you can be used in missionary work, then pray and follow through.
3. Traditionally we have thought of the mission field as being in some foreign land. How does the reality that we enter the mission field the moment we leave our homes impact the way you should view your neighborhood, campus, job, classes, etc.?
4. We are ALL missionaries who have been called to GO and make disciples. But like Acts 1:8 when the disciples were instructed to go first to Jerusalem, then Judea, then the world being a missionary to your own family and community is a good place to start. What are some specific things you think God wants you to do to draw those around you to Jesus?

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Sunday, November 6, 2022

Title: The Wrong Words - Minister Jamir Barnes

Key Scriptures: Revelation 12:1-11 (NIV), Matthew 4:1-11, 12 & 18 (NIV)

Reflection Questions:

1. Minister Jamir stated that satan can only take what we allow him to take. With that knowledge, what have you allowed him to take and how can you take them back?
2. In Revelation 12:4, Minister Jamir talked about the great dilemma where the enemy dares us to step out into the things God has called us to. What are some of those things you are afraid to give birth to? How can you begin to conquer your fear and release what God has put in you?
3. Minister Jamir also talked about the devil tempting Jesus with a level of power or authority, yet Jesus had the right words to combat him. How are we building ourselves up to respond with the right words in times of temptation or difficulty?
4. “Priding ourselves in our peace,” is a statement that points to the misperception that many Christians have about living their lives without hardship. Compare this with the perception Jesus wants us to gain from His teaching in scriptures like John 16:33, and Paul’s in Romans 8:31-37.

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Sunday, November 13, 2022

Title: A Battle of Wills - Shani McKenzie

Key Scriptures: Luke 22:42, I John 5: 14-15, 2 Tim 2:3-4

Reflection Questions:

1. In the Father's army we are placed in a "duty station" and the bible provides your orders. Do you feel like you're following God's marching orders? If so, how? And if not, what can you do to get on the right path?
2. Shani taught that trying to be loyal to Jesus while remaining entangled with the ways of the world keeps us from being effective disciples (2 Timothy 2:4). Are there areas of your life that are entangled? What can you do to change this?
3. Like Jesus, we must recognize that our duty and calling is to please the One who sent us (Luke 22:42). Discuss some times when you've struggled with this. What fruit has been produced in your life and the lives of others as a result of placing God's will above your own?
4. Discuss what Shani taught about obedience vs. surrender. Are there areas in your life where you're being obedient, but you haven't fully surrendered? Share what total surrender to Jesus might look like in various areas of your life.

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Sunday, November 20, 2022

Title: Heaven's Ambassadors On The Earth - Marilyn Riggins

Key Scriptures: I John 1:12, 15:16, 12:49-50 (NIV); Matthew 6:25-33 (NIV); II Corinthians 5:20 (KJV); Ephesians 2:19; Philippians 3:20

Reflection Questions:

1. Minister Riggins said, "You can never appropriate what you postpone". As a citizen of the Kingdom, how can you shift your mindset to claim what God says is yours, now, instead of waiting for some time in the future?
2. Citizenship is invisible, until our behaviors (lifestyle, relationships, words) are observed by others. What are you exhibiting that lets others know that you are an ambassador of the Kingdom? How is the Father clearly making his appeal to the world through you?
3. A Kingdom mentality means that you seek the Kingdom of God and his righteousness first, understanding that, once you do, everything else you need will be added to you.
 - a. Identify 2 ways your life is in alignment with a Kingdom mentality.
 - b. Identify 2 areas that you need to have more of a Kingdom mentality. (i.e. Are you worried about your job, clothes and finances or seeking the Kingdom and righteousness?)
4. Earthly ambassadors are expected to bring the influence of their country. As an ambassador for Christ, what are some practical ways you can bring the influence, interests, and values of God's kingdom to where you've been assigned?
5. Minister Riggins shared that God's provision is tied to our assignment. Are the things you're asking God for simply about you, or are they connected to Kingdom purposes?

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Sunday, November 27, 2022

Title: Applying What We've Learned To Our Daily Lives - Pastor Harold Mckenzie

Key Scriptures: Ephesians 4:14 NLT, Romans 12:1 AMP; 2 Corinthians 4:7; Matthew 4:19; Luke 14:33

Reflection Questions:

1. As disciples, we are called to spiritual and natural growth as an ongoing process, and maturity is having grown to the place God says you should be at the current time. Are there areas where you should be more mature at this point in your life? What are they and what will you do to grow in those areas?
2. We have been uniquely designed by our heavenly Father to make disciples for Jesus. What are some of your unique qualities that are meant to help you love and influence people for Christ?
3. As disciples of Jesus, the suffering we experience is not wasted. How has the suffering you experienced equipped you to help someone else?
4. Though it could be seen as insufficient, David used a simple sling to slay a giant. It was not the significance of the weapon, but who empowered it that made the difference. Are there any tools or aspects of your life that you may be seeing as small or insignificant that God may want to use to show His power through you?
5. What are the key points or teachings during this series that have inspired and challenged you the most?

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