

MESSAGE NOTES

Vision Sunday

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Our mission: Helping people _____ and _____ Jesus.

_____ people providing _____

_____ through _____ for _____ people at the

_____ of life.

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CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of May 5, 2024

GETTING STARTED _____

1. Do you know anyone who has recently had their life transformed by Jesus? If so, what factors led up to their transformation?

2. Have you ever had a mentor help you follow Jesus? Have you been a mentor to someone before? What are the benefits to having a mentor, coach, or counselor?

DIGGING DEEPER _____

1. On Sunday, we were reminded of our new mission statement of “Helping People Find and Follow Jesus.” Think about your own story for a moment. How important were your relationships with others in finding and following Jesus?

2. Read the following passages and discuss how the Church’s mission is affected by our relationships with others.
 - **Romans 14:13-18**

 - **1 Corinthians 12:12-13**

 - **Acts 2:42-47**

3. Pastor Rusty said one of the most common things people say about Crossroads is that we are diverse. Why is it important for the Church to model diversity?

What does it communicate when a church doesn't have people from different diverse backgrounds?

4. Jesus had a way of meeting people where they were without compromising His teaching. How can we (personally and corporately) create an environment where people feel welcome to explore faith, regardless of where they're starting from?

In **Mark 2:15-17**, we see that Jesus had dinner with a group of people that looked and lived differently than He did. Do you find it difficult to model this in your own life? Explain.

5. Paul explains in **Romans 7:15-20** the struggle against his flesh. This is something we can all identify with. What are some shared challenges people face when trying to follow Jesus?

PRACTICAL APPLICATION _____

1. What are some of the different crossroads you have faced up to this point? Were there times when you wished someone would have reached out to you? If so, explain.

What steps can we take as individuals and as a community to reach out to those who are at a crossroads in life?

2. What have been some of your greatest challenges when it comes to following Jesus? How can we support each other and those in the church in the face of these challenges?

PRAYER REQUESTS _____