



Joining Jesus on His Mission

Video Training Curriculum

Video 5: "How to Join Jesus Every Day" John 4:35-38 | Book chapters 10-12

Before the Video: Each person take a moment to share with the group the insights and experiences you had over the last several days as you sought to join Jesus on his mission in your everyday life. If you were able to interact with neighbors from any of your various neighborhoods, tell your story to the group.

Processing Our Insights:

1) The Finke's introduced the 5 Mission Practices. Can your group remember what they are?

- _____ the Kingdom
- _____ from Jesus
- _____ with people
- _____ good
- _____ through prayer

2) Without realizing it, have you found yourself already putting these mission practices into play as you have become more intentional about seeking and joining Jesus? Share a story of an example.

3) The 5 Questions, based on the 5 Mission Practices, help us tell the stories of what happened as we joined Jesus in our daily lives.

The 5 Questions:

- How did you see God at work this week? | Seeking the Kingdom
- What has Jesus been teaching you in his Word? | Hearing from Jesus
- What kind of conversations are you having, especially with those who are not yet Christians? | Talking with People
- What good can we do around here? | Doing Good
- How can we help you in prayer? | Ministering through Prayer

Why is it important for us to regularly gather together like this and share our stories of joining Jesus on his mission?

Note: Our stories provide the encouragement, insight and accountability we need to stay intentional and inspired for joining Jesus on his mission as we head out for another week. This is essentially what we have already been doing at the beginning of our gatherings, taking time to tell the stories of what we have experienced on our mission adventures with Jesus. We are becoming a missional community!

- 4) Practice #1 is what Jesus invites us to do first of all: “Seeking the Kingdom.” Jesus has brought the kingdom of God into our world and into our community. Therefore, the practice of “seeking the kingdom” is the first practical step we can take in joining Jesus in what he is already doing. We can ask ourselves, what is Jesus already showing us? Who are the people already nearby? What is Jesus inviting us to notice or do?
- What intrigues you about living each day as a Kingdom seeker and looking for what Jesus is already showing you?
- 5) As we become more intentional about “seeking the Kingdom,” don’t think big. Think small. Think, “What are the little things that are right at hand?” Jesus says that the kingdom of God is like a seed, a pinch of yeast or a cool cup of water.
- As you think about your various neighborhoods, where could you plant a seed of kindness in someone’s life, offer a pinch of hope, or a cool cup of water of grace?

Note: Wherever a little grace can be applied, we know Jesus is up to something and the kingdom of God is near!

- 6) What is encouraging to you about the GPS illustration and message?

*Can Jesus use imperfect missionaries?
That’s all he ever does!*

Before We Go

Note: You may want to break into groups of three.

“A-Ha!” Insights to Action: What was the most significant insight you had as a result of today’s video and discussion? Take **3 minutes** to write down your insight and what you think Jesus might be giving you to believe and/or do as a result. This is your self-identified assignment for joining Jesus in the coming days.

Have each person take **60 seconds** to share their self-identified assignment with the group.

In the coming days *watch for opportunities Jesus will give you* to put your self-identified assignments into play. The next time your group meets be ready to tell the stories of what happened (whether little or large).

- Also, give the group a brief update on how your planning and inviting is going for hanging out with a neighbor(s).

Ministering through Prayer: As we prepare to head out on our mission adventure with Jesus, have each person ask the next person, **“How can I help you in prayer?”** After everyone has had a turn to answer, each person then prays for their neighbor. Write the prayer request in the space below so you won’t forget.