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Community Group Questions

Take time to pray through the Six:Eight Prayer Foci for 2019

*If the Holy Spirit gives anyone a specific word for the church
share them with the other Community Group Leaders.*

1. **FREEDOM:** Pray against spiritual attack on our church body & its members, so that kingdom ministry goes unhindered.
2. **SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION:** Pray we'd abide in the Presence of Christ, honoring the Word & Spirit of God, being transformed & becoming more effective in witness. That we'd be drawn deeply into worship & prayer in powerful ways this year.
3. **LEADERSHIP:** Pray for leadership to be filled with the knowledge of the Word & power of the Spirit, operating out of the two as gracious strong servant leaders.
4. **MINISTRIES:** For all 8 church ministries to run smoothly, having all current & future resources provided for them to thrive (*Kids, Community Groups, Kingdom Opportunities, Stewardship, Impressions, Worship Arts, Prayer, Missions*).
5. **LOCAL EVANGELISM:** That we'd preach the Word boldly & minister in the power of the Spirit to see people come to faith & publicly declare that through baptism. - for divine openings with neighbors, coworkers, friends & Community Partners.
6. **CROSS-CULTURAL MISSION:** To be a '*House of Prayer for all Nations*' (Isaiah 56:7), obedient to the Great Commission (Mt 28:18-20), overflowing to our Kinship Network relationships reaching Arab world Muslims, and other mission endeavors of the church.
7. **GIVING:** Pray that we'd be stretched in faithful giving of our financial resources in order not to be hindered in our kingdom ministry as a church.

Study Questions

1. Answer the following questions by yourself...write your answers.
 1. What is life like for you right now? What's going on? Write down a few things which are happening & how you are feeling.
 2. What preoccupies your thinking? What do you think most about, and is this a good thing?
 3. Overall, how are you feeling about life? Happy, disappointed, satisfied, anxious, etc.?
 4. If you could ask Him, what do you want from Jesus right now? What would make you feel whole? What desire would you like Him to uncover in you?

2. Give your answers to another person...
 1. Have them read them out to you slowly, twice. Write what it feels like to hear someone else say your thoughts below.

2. Have the other person read slowly Matthew 28:18-20 out loud to you, twice...
 1. *“All authority in heaven & on earth has been given to me.
¹⁹ Therefore go & make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father & of the Son & of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”*
 2. Discuss how your life is reflective of this call right now in this passage, and how it could be more so in the future?

3. Discuss how often do you think of your calling & purpose in Christ, specifically in discipleship & sharing of Jesus with others?

4. Share with your partner who has discipled you in the past, and in what capacity (maybe you've not been discipled, or maybe it's been very loosely). Would you want this to happen in the future? Why or why not?

3. Share who your three people are whom you are trying to influence towards Christ, discuss how best this can happen in the near future. Pray for them together.