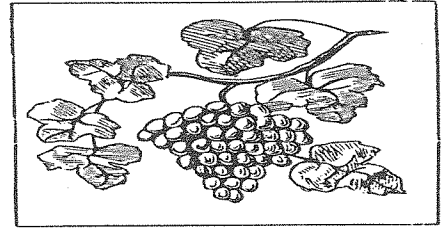


Organic Disciples Session 1 - "Foundations"  
Video Viewing Guide and Optional  
Homework/Digging Deeper Activity



**Discipleship:** The journey of becoming like Jesus.

**Evangelism:** The adventure of sharing the grace and love of Jesus with others.

***Key Point: Discipleship and Evangelism are marriage partners!***

**Opening Question (share with those around you):** How have you seen people or churches lift up one of these two powerful callings but spend less attention on the other?

**Video Teaching Points:**

- IF we understand the connection with Discipleship and Evangelism we will have a more joyful life, a deeper faith, and the world around us will change.

**Question: How can I know I am growing as a disciple?**

- ★ The essential place of the fruit of the Spirit...
- ★ The fuel that guides us forward, the guardrails that keep us on track.
- How do I know I'm really growing up in faith? What are the indicators/markers?
  1. Bible Engagement
  2. Passionate Prayer
  3. Wholehearted Worship
  4. Humble Service
  5. Joyful Generosity
  6. Consistent Community
  7. Organic Outreach
- Every ingredient is needed! (All 7 things above)

**Question: Is discipleship bigger than my relationship with Jesus? Yes!**

- The power of four generations...
- 2 Timothy 2:2 "And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others."
- Notice the 4 generations in one passage...
- "Locking hands and climbing the hill of faith together."

Question: What is the relationship between discipleship and evangelism?

- Anything that helps someone else take a step closer to Jesus is discipleship.

Discipleship and Evangelism are not enemies

Discipleship and Evangelism are not just friends

Discipleship and Evangelism are marriage partners! They are bound together.

- Take the free self assessment on spiritual growth using the 7 markers listed above: go to [organicdisciples.org](http://organicdisciples.org) (takes about 15 minutes - student version and adult version)

Small Group Questions: (pick and choose, you may not have time for all of them)

1. Tell about a person God has used in your life to disciple you (help you take consistent steps toward becoming more like Jesus). How do you feel about this person and how they have influenced your life?
2. What are some of the actions, attitude changes, and spiritual practices that you have discovered to help you grow in the fruit of the Spirit? What is one step you will take to grow fruit in the coming month?
3. What seems to get in the way of consistent spiritual growth? What can we do to overcome such obstacles?
4. Reread 2 Timothy 2:2 above. Tell about a person you are seeking to influence to draw closer to Jesus. What are you doing to help this person grow? How is it going?
5. A serious spiritual battle seems to keep believers from seeing the beautiful marriage of discipleship and evangelism. Why do you think the enemy would want believers to keep these callings separate?
6. Which of these two God-given callings do you most naturally gravitate toward? Which one needs a bit more attention in your life? How can the group pray for you?

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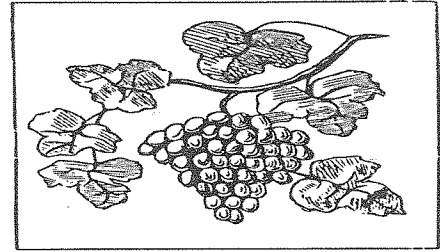
Optional Activity To Do This Week

The Discipline of Listening: Ask God some questions about the things you are learning in Scripture. Wait quietly and listen for His whispers and nudges and impressions He places on your heart. He may bring to mind the face of a lost person that you need to reach out to and re-engage in your relationship with them. Questions to reflect upon:

- Who do I know who is still far from Jesus whom I need to reach out to, love and help to take a next step toward the Savior?
- What is an area of my spiritual growth I need to pay more attention to and go deeper in?
- What attitude or practice do I need to set aside so I can pay more attention to my spiritual growth journey?
- Who is a believer I know who needs some encouragement to walk more closely with Jesus?

(note: questions and activities taken/adapted from Organic Disciples Study Guide)

Organic Disciples Session 2 - "Bible Engagement"  
Video Viewing Guide and Optional  
Homework/Digging Deeper Activity



**Key Idea:** Bible engagement and knowledge of the Scriptures should lead to transformed lives!

**Key Question:** How did Jesus view the scriptures?

**Suggested Verse to Memorize:** 2 Timothy 3:16-17 - "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

**Opening Question (share with those around you):** What place did the Bible have in your life growing up, and what role does the Bible play in your life today?

**Video Teaching Points:**

- There is a connection between discipleship and evangelism!
- Engage with the Word of God!
- Matthew 4 - The temptations Jesus faced ("3 rounds") - "It is written..."
- The Living Word (Jesus) loved the written Word.
- God's Word is His love letter to us!
- To stay spiritually fed, we need to make time to read God's Word every day.
- We need to FOLLOW what the Bible teaches. James 1:22-25
- Information vs. Transformation
- "It's time to feast!"
- There is great power in committing bible verses to memory! (story from the credit union)
- Let's build up our reserves of Truth!
- The world needs good news. The world wants what Christians have.
- All the deepest longings of the human heart are found in Jesus.
- The Bible reveals the mission of God and then calls us to join Him on that mission. (the lost sheep story)
- The Bible tells us who we are. 2 Corinthians 5:17-20 - We are Christ's ambassadors.

**Small Group Questions:** (pick and choose, you may not have time for all of them)

1. What is your experience with reading the Bible?
2. Read Matthew 27:45-50 and Psalm 22:1. In his moment of deepest pain and anguish, Jesus cried the words of Scripture from the depths of His soul. What do you learn from

the Savior's example in this account? How can you internalize Scripture so that it is in your heart and on your lips in hard times?

3. Recall Jesus' "epic spiritual battle" that the video referred to. Where is spiritual warfare raging in your life (or in the life of someone you love), and how can the truth and power of the Bible help you stand strong in this battle? Do you have any specific passage that has been practical and powerful to you?
4. Read Matthew 5:17-19 and 2 Timothy 3:14-17. Jesus and the writers of the Bible were clear about the veracity and authority of Scripture. Why is it essential that followers of Jesus believe and trust the teaching of the Bible? What are some possible consequences if our view of the Bible's absolute truthfulness erodes?
5. If we acquire knowledge of the Bible but our lives don't mirror its messages, how might that damage our witness to a nonbelieving world that is watching us closely?
6. What next step can you take to grow in your engagement with the Bible? How can your group encourage you as you take this step?

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### Optional Activity To Do This Week

#### Sharing Practical and Life-Changing Lessons With a Nonbeliever

Applying scripture and sermons to ourselves is important, but what if we added a new dynamic? What if every time we read the Bible or heard it being read, we also listened with a nonbelieving person in mind? Try this exercise this week. Write down what you heard, read, or learned from the Bible and how it could impact a spiritually curious person you know and love.

The person's name: \_\_\_\_\_

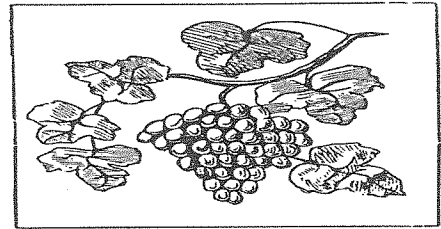
Pause to pray, Ask God to open your heart and eyes and ears. Write down truths, insights, and inspirations you might share with this person:

- From my study of the Bible
- From a sermon I heard
- From a blog, podcast, or article I read
- From a show I watched
- From a small group I attended
- From a song I heard

Pray for a great moment to share one or more of these insights with this person you care about. If they are receptive, ask if they want you to pass along your source material (like a link to a song, or the bible verse, or whatever might help them take the next step in their journey toward Jesus.)

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Organic Disciples Session 3 - "Passionate Prayer"  
Video Viewing Guide and Optional  
Homework/Digging Deeper Activity



**Key Points:** Prayer was part of Jesus' lifestyle, so it should be for us as well. Talking with God opens our hearts to the world.

**Verse to Memorize:** "Pray continually." (1 Thessalonians 5:17)

**Pre-Video Opening Question (share with those around you):** Who taught you to pray, and what did they teach you about prayer? How has your understanding of prayer grown through the years?

**Video Teaching Points:**

- Jesus models out ALL of the spiritual markers for us.
  - Passionate prayer is a pathway to sharing our faith.
  - Scripture references: Romans 12:12, Colossians 4:2, 1 Thessalonians 5:17
  - It's not that we HAVE to pray continually, but that we GET to pray continually.
  - Prayer is doing life in the presence of God..."eyes wide open"....Jesus modeled this.
  - God loves to hear from us!
  - God has designed us to communicate with Him.
  - Cell phone/caller ID analogy - God loves hearing from you!
  - The curtain is torn from top to bottom.
  - When should we draw near to God? "From the heights and from the depths."
  - Why should we pray? Because prayer changes the world!
  - Sherry's back surgery story...
  - Praying with nonbelievers.....
  - The when - Pray for opportunities, pray for courage (Colossians 4:2-4)
  - The how - Establish some kind of relationship, be attentive to the Holy Spirit, ask for permission to pray, consider the timing and the setting, watch your volume.
  - The why - Why pray with a nonbeliever?
1. It's a way to help people encounter the Living God!
  2. They will see prayer is real to us.
  3. They can experience answers to prayer, and realize that God is present and powerful.
- Something happens every time you pray!
  - Passionate prayer and outreach are connected.

Small Group Questions: (pick and choose, you may not have time for all of them)

1. Tell about a time God answered a prayer you lifted up to Him. How did His answer to prayer impact you or someone you were praying for?
2. Read together: Mark 1:35; Matthew 14:15-19; Mark 7:33-35; Mark 14:32-36  
Jesus prayed all through the day in a variety of situations. What are ways you can incorporate prayer into the flow of a normal day?
3. What is a big moment you are facing right now? How can your group be praying for you?
4. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:17. What does it mean to become people who pray continually?
5. If we are not careful, we can let our prayer lives become a list of things we want. The Bible provides a rich tapestry of varied and beautiful kinds of prayers. How do each of these expressions of prayer help us move forward in our journeys of spiritual growth?
  - Prayers of *thankfulness*
  - Prayers of *confession*
  - Prayers of *praise*
  - Prayers of *lament*
  - Prayers for *wisdom*
  - *Imprecatory* prayers (expressing honest anger and even vengeful feelings to God and asking him to deal with those who have hurt us, so that we won't act on our anger)

What is one kind of prayer you need to explore more and spend more time lifting up to God?

6. What is one lesson or idea that has locked into your heart that you will implement in your life from this session and group time?

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Optional Activity To Do This Week

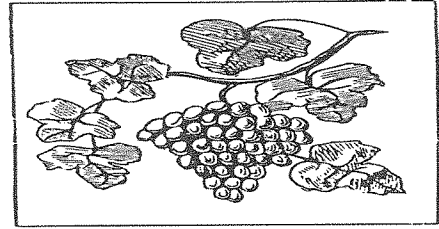
1. Try keeping a prayer journal (either with pen and paper, or an electronic journal on your phone, tablet or computer. If you keep an e-journal, consider putting your device on airplane mode while you journal so you don't get distracted.) Anything goes, but here are a few ideas:
  - ★ Write down prayers of thanks for things God has done or is doing...ways he has provided, protected, showed his grace, or anything else you are thankful for....
  - ★ Read scripture and write what stood out to you.
  - ★ Make a list of people you long to meet Jesus, then pray for them daily.
  - ★ Write down names of God you find in the Bible.
  - ★ Make a list of 3 or 4 needs in your life, and another list of 3 or 4 needs in the lives of people you know. Pray through this list regularly.
2. Consider making a short video of yourself telling a story of answered prayer. Send it to one spiritually curious person God has placed in your life. Let them know that you would love to talk with them about why you believe God really hears and answers prayers.

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## Organic Disciples Session 4 - "Wholehearted Worship"

### Video Viewing Guide &

### Optional Homework/Digging Deeper Activity



**Key Points:** *Disciples delight in giving praise, glory and honor to the only One who deserves it. When groups of believers gather and celebrate with overflowing joy and passion, the world wants to know more, and we can tell our story.*

**Key Verse:** *"Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks." (John 4:23)*

**Key Questions:** *How do I develop a "lifestyle of worship"? How is my worship a witness to others who don't yet know Jesus?*

**Pre-Video Opening Question (share with those around you):** Tell about one of your first memories of being in a church worship service.

#### **Video Teaching Points:**

- Worship - to kneel down, to lay ourselves before God, surrender before Him.
- Jesus calls us to a lifestyle of worship!
- Revelation - a picture of Heavenly Worship!
- Romans 12:1 - "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. This is your true and proper worship....."
- What does worship as a lifestyle look like? Look at the example of Paul....Acts 16:22 on...
- When you feel down or discouraged, the best thing you can do is to worship God!
- CHOOSE to sing, praise and celebrate....especially in difficult times.
- A life of worship is a life of yielding to God.
- Worship is about God, not about me.
- Luke 4:5-8...Where might Satan be tempting you in your life right now?
- Lifting praise to God in gathered worship brings a unique and special sense of God's presence.
- Parents, let's commit to teaching our children to worship Jesus!
- How Worship becomes a witness to the world...
  - People love a good party!
  - Worship invites the Holy Spirit to come in power!

- The witness of joy!
- When the Holy Spirit is present, things happen!
- When people see authentic worship, they're drawn to the One we worship.

**Small Group Questions:** (pick and choose, you may not have time for all of them)

1. Tell about a time when you had a sense of God's presence during a time of worship.
2. What sorts of things propel you into a place of worship? What gets in the way of you engaging deeply in worship?
3. Read: Mark 11:15-17; Luke 4:5-8; John 4:19-25. Jesus taught his followers to be people committed to worship. What are some of the lessons Jesus shares with those who wanted to grow as worshipers?
4. Sometimes we limit our understanding of worship to a set time and place: in a church building for an hour on Sundays. Worship is bigger and far more beautiful. What are some of the different ways we can worship God in the normal flow of a week?
5. Tell about a time you encountered God and responded in worship when you were not in a church building.
6. How can we turn our homes into places of worship? As we invite into our homes people who are not yet Jesus followers, how can our homes be places where they experience the presence of God alive and at work?

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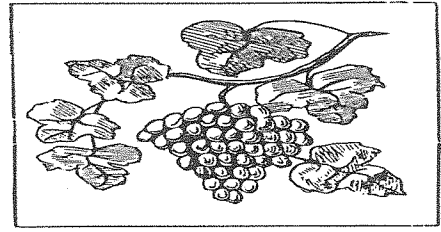
*Optional Activities To Do This Week*

1. *Take a 20 to 30 minute walk to be alone with Jesus.* As you walk, lift up this simple prayer: "Lord Jesus Christ, teach me to worship you in Spirit and in truth." Pray....reflect....wait on the Lord....repeat. When you finish your walk, write down anything you feel the Lord has brought to your heart and mind.
2. *Share a Song:* You can find a growing number of great worship songs on YouTube. Find a song that really moves your heart and leads you to worship, then pray about sharing the link with a person you care about who does not yet have a relationship with Jesus. Tell your friend how the song speaks to you. Worship can be an avenue God uses to lead a person to faith.

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Organic Disciples Session 5 - "Humble Service"  
Video Viewing Guide and Optional  
Homework/Digging Deeper Activity



**Key Points:** *In a dark world, humble service is a beacon that reveals the presence of Jesus and draws lost people to the heart of the Savior.*

**Key Verse:** *"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45)*

**Pre-Video Opening Question (share with those around you):** Tell about a Christian you know who is an example of humble service. How do you see Jesus in this person, and how is their service a witness to God's love?"

**Video Teaching Points:**

- We become less so others become more.
- Jesus was the ultimate servant.
- Philippians 2:5-7 - "Jesus took the very nature of a servant..."
- John 13:2-5 - Jesus washes the disciples' feet....
- Jesus laid down His life for us, and He calls us to do the same.
- 2 Corinthians 5:21...The Great Exchange
- Jesus still serves us by interceding for us!
- Humility and service are radically countercultural.
- If you live a life of genuine, humble service for others, you will make an impact on the world, and the grace of Jesus and the truth of His gospel will flow through you.
- You can show Jesus to others through humble service.
- Service is not a suggestion. It's the way of Jesus. John 13:12-17
- Keep your hearts, minds, eyes and ears open to the needs all around you.
- Slow down, pay attention, notice the needs around you, then act.
- Taking up our cross daily...a full surrender...Matthew 16:24
  - "Jesus, my time is yours."
  - "My abilities are yours."
  - "My feelings are yours. I yield my emotions to you."
  - "My body is yours."
  - "My life is yours."
- Actions that show Jesus open the door to speak of the Savior.....
- Every time we serve a non-believer in humility and love, God shows up!

- The million-dollar question: "WHY?" Be ready to give an answer!
- Matthew 5:14 "You are the light of the world....."
- Humble service opens the door to the Gospel.
- Where should I serve? Your home, neighborhood, community, etc.

**Small Group Questions:** (pick and choose, you may not have time for all of them)

1. Read John 13:1-17 and Mark 10:45. What do you learn about Jesus in these passages? What do you learn about the followers of Jesus (including yourself) as you read John 13?
2. As you think about these passages and reflect on Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, what is the connection between humble service and the gospel's coming to the world? How would the message of our faith be different if Jesus had not been incarnated, washed feet, and humbly given His life?
3. Jesus made it clear that His service is an example for us to follow. In what ways are you seeking to serve others with a humble heart? What seems to get in the way of your living self-sacrificially?
4. What is the next step you feel called to make in your journey of spiritual growth in the area of humble service? Be specific.
5. What are some practical ways we can serve with humility in any of the following places?
  - Where we work
  - Where we go to school
  - Where we live
  - Where we play
  - Where we shop
6. Now look back at the "where" you can serve and talk about how you might naturally share the message, story and good news of Jesus while you are serving.

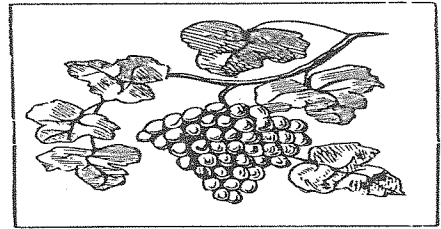
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**Optional Activities To Do This Week**

1. **Wash Some Feet!** For one week, do all you can to offer a large or small act of unexpected service to one person who does not yet follow Jesus. Keep a short journal for the week. Record the act of service, how the person responded, and what happened in your heart as you served. If he/she asks why you served them as you did, be ready to share what you are learning about Jesus as a humble servant.
2. **Serve Together:** If you are engaged in a service ministry at church or in your community, invite a spiritually searching friend to join you. As you serve, look for/pray for an opportunity to explain how Jesus loved to serve others.

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Organic Disciples Session 6 - "Joyful Generosity"  
Video Viewing Guide, Questions, and Optional  
Homework/Digging Deeper Activity



**Key Points:** *Every time a follower of Jesus is generous in our selfish world, we show the heart of our God, and it often opens the door for spiritual conversations.*

**Key Verse:** *"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before Him He endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." (Hebrews 12:1-2)*

**Pre-Video Opening Question** (share with those around you): Tell about a Christian you know who lives with authentic and joyful generosity? What do they share, and how does their lifestyle reveal Jesus' presence and goodness?

**Video Teaching Points:**

- Remember, discipleship and evangelism are marriage partners.
- Let's strive to not only be generous, but to like it!
- Jesus gave it ALL.
- Jesus set aside his glory and came to the grit, and the grime, and the gunge of our world.
- Joyful generosity always costs something, but not nearly what it cost Jesus.
- The adventure of a generous life.....
- Malachi 3:10-12 "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse....."
- Generosity goes against the current of the culture...it does not come naturally...it's a supernatural work of the Holy Spirit
- River analogy...
- Question: Are you being drawn toward a more self-centered lifestyle, or are you swimming against the current and becoming more and more generous?
- 2 Corinthians 9:6-8
- How do I grow in joyful generosity?
  - Look to Jesus as our example.
  - Realize that growing in generosity is a process.
  - Exercise your "giving muscle". Begin giving something, then take the next step...
  - Recognize that ALL we have is a gift from God

- Focus on eternal and heavenly treasures (Matthew 6:19-21)
- Remember the source of true blessings
- Check your theology...Check your heart
- Begin somewhere...Make it a rhythm in your life
- Ask yourself good questions...What is my next step in joyful generosity?
- What difference does it make in the world? The world WILL notice!
- How do these 3 things relate to each other? The last slice of pizza, a seat on Southwest Airlines, and my paycheck...
- If you want to get the attention of the world, be generous with no strings attached.
- Question: How does a joyful, generous life open the door to the Gospel?
  - People see the heart of God.
  - It breaks down stereotypes of Christians.
  - When we live a life of joyful generosity, it reveals a different way of life....it points to a greater treasure...

**Small Group Questions:** (pick and choose, you may not have time for all of them)

1. When Jesus came as a baby, lived on this earth, and died for our sins, what were some of the ways He displayed a generous heart and life?
2. How have you experienced Jesus' generosity toward you?
3. Read Luke 19:1-10. How did Jesus' presence and power transform Zacchaeus's life? How did his view of material things change when he received Jesus' generous love?
4. What are some of the different kinds of blessings a person might receive when they grow in joyful generosity? Tell about a blessing you received from God that was not monetary.
5. What is your next step for growing in joyful generosity?
6. Why does the life of a joyfully generous Christian catch the attention of non-believers who are spiritually curious?

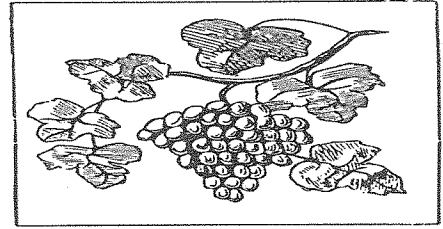
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Optional Activity To Do This Week

1. **Talk About Treasures:** With 1 or 2 others, talk about the connection of our hearts to what we truly treasure (Matt. 6:21). Questions to consider:
  - ★ If you look back over a normal week, where do you invest most of your time and money? What does this say about where your heart is?
  - ★ Of all the things you could use your money for or invest your money in, what gets you most excited, and why do you think this is the case?
  - ★ If you received an unexpected inheritance of \$10,000, how do you think you would use this gift?

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Organic Disciples Session 7 - "Consistent Community"  
Video-Viewing Guide, Questions, and Optional  
Homework/Digging Deeper Activities



**Key Points:** *All through the Scriptures, we learn that God accomplishes more for His glory through His people together than if they are disconnected. In a world where so many people feel left out or ostracized, the call to consistent community is a source of hope and healing.*

**Key Verse:** *"For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." (Romans 12:4-5)*

**Pre-Video Opening Question (share with those around you):** Tell about being invited in and feeling warmly welcomed, or share about a time when you felt excluded or pushed out of a social situation. Why are these moments so locked into our memory banks and hearts?

**Video Teaching Points:**

- God desires to be in relationship with us! It's a stunning reality!
- God is eternally one in being, yet three in persons.
- Jesus loved to be with people....let's follow His example....
- Pain is inevitable in relationships...Jesus experienced this...
- We were created for community....as image bearers of God.
- We need to be committed to a lifestyle of consistent community.
- Community can be complex...we are a "community of sinners"....
- Our love for one another is a witness to the world (see John 13:34-35).
- The way we love people shows the world that Jesus is present and active.
- Hebrews 10:24-25; John 17:22-23 (Jesus' prayer for us)
- Consistent community glorifies the Father, blesses us, and shows the presence of Jesus to the world.
- The power of a meal around the table....
- Kevin's story from the restaurant...."Will you bless me?"
- Our HOME should be a place of Christian community that is noticeable to others.
- What people should be able to see in our Christian community....
  - ★ Love in Action
  - ★ Acceptance
  - ★ Forgiveness

- ★ Unity in Diversity
- ★ Collaborative Service

Small Group Questions: (pick and choose, you may not have time for all of them)

1. What stood out to you from the teaching?
2. What are some of the signs you notice in the lives of people around you that show their need for connection and community?
3. Read Genesis 1:26-28 and Romans 12:3-8. In His creation of humanity and in His creation of the Church, God made it clear that we are made for community and connection with each other and with Him. Why do you think God hardwired us for community? Why do so many people resist His call to live in community?
4. Read Mark 12:29-31. What did Jesus say are the two most important things His followers should do with their time and their lives? Share one practical way you need to grow in loving community with God, and one way you feel the Lord wants you to grow in community with your neighbors.
5. Jesus spent a lot of time around tables, a place of intimate community. How can inviting spiritually curious people around a table for food, conversation, laughing, and sharing life open the door for them to experience Jesus' presence?
6. Think about Emmanuel Church. What do we do to make a non believing visitor feel welcomed, loved and a part of our community? How can we improve?
7. What is one practical thing you are going to do as a result of this teaching?

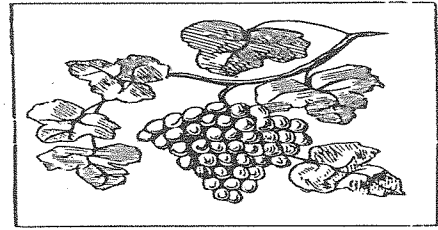
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Optional Activities To Do This Week

1. Read "Life Together" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. This is a small but powerful collection of reflections exploring Christian community.
2. Plan A Meal: Plan a barbeque or a potluck that your group could put on and host. Have each person invite a friend who is not yet a follower of Jesus. Share a meal, enjoy each other, laugh, meet some new people, and see what Jesus does!

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Organic Disciples Session 8 - "Organic Outreach"  
Video Viewing Guide, Questions, and Optional  
Homework/Digging Deeper Activities



**Key Points:** *Jesus was all about seeking and saving the lost. As Christ followers, we should view each day as an opportunity to shine the light of Jesus and share His gospel.*

**Key Verse:** *"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." (Luke 19:10)*

**Pre-Video Opening Question (share with those around you):** Tell about how you came to understand the story of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. Describe how you placed your faith in Jesus and began following Him.

**Video Teaching Points:**

- If you're growing as a Disciple of Jesus, then organic outreach should naturally grow in your life.
- Organic means natural, Outreach means evangelism (bringing the good news of Jesus)
- We are NOT responsible for saving people, we ARE responsible for scattering seed.
- Jesus is the heartbeat of our faith!
- Jesus' mission and ours are one in the same.
- Jesus' mission was to call people to repentance (turn around and move in a new direction) and to save them from their sin.
- When it comes to sharing our faith in natural ways, there is a real spiritual battle going on.
- We need to know who we are in Jesus.
- 2 powerful images: Salt and Light...Where is God "shaking" you?
- We are partners in organic outreach, but God is always the "senior" partner.
- "Perfect love casts out fear." (1 John 4:18).
- Count the cost: time and prayer, preparation, (see [organicoutreach.org](http://organicoutreach.org)), sharing, tension.
- We need to take the call to outreach personally.
- "Tell your story"...How did God answer a prayer?...How did God give you hope?...How did God show up for you?...How did you first come to faith in Jesus?
- Tips on sharing your testimony: Ask permission...Don't use "religious language"....Be brief...Highlight God's Presence and Power...Be sure you include the story of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and His resurrection...Share with humility
- "The Gospel Go Go": God's Love...Our Problem...God's Solution...Our Response

Small Group Questions: (pick and choose, you may not have time for all of them)

1. What stood out to you from the teaching?
2. Talk about how one of the following names for Jesus gives you a window into His character and His mission to save lost people:
  - ★ Messiah (John 4:25-26)
  - ★ Bread of Heaven (John 6:48-58)
  - ★ Living Water (John 7:37-38)
  - ★ The Light of the World (John 1:9-13)
  - ★ The Lamb of God (John 1:29)
  - ★ The Good Shepherd (John 10:11)
  - ★ The Gate (John 10:7-10)
  - ★ The Resurrection and the Life (John 11:25)
3. Read 1 Corinthians 15:50-57. What did Jesus accomplish through His life, death, and resurrection? Since this is true, what message do we have for a world that is broken, fearful, anxious and conflicted?
4. What gets in the way of you sharing your faith with joyful frequency?
5. What has helped you overcome some of your fears about or resistance to evangelism?
6. Tell about a time when you "shared your story"....
7. What is one practical thing you are going to do as a result of this teaching?
8. Think about the last 8 weeks. What is one change you have made? Spend time in your group celebrating what God has done in your lives.

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Optional Activities To Do This Week

1. Make a List of all the people you love who are still far from God. Pray for them often, ask God to soften their hearts, remove the enemy's influence, and draw them to Himself. Look for opportunities to share the gospel with them.
2. Practice Your Story: With a Christian friend, practice telling your stories to each other (refer to the tips from the video teaching).

(Note: Questions and Activities taken/adapted from Organic Disciples Study Guide & Video Teachings)