Life Group Guide

Jeremiah 29:1-7 November 9, 2023

Serve your City

Foundation Practice: Serving Faithfully

"We put the Gospel on display as we serve others in our family, workplace, and community."

- 1. Intro Question: Have you ever served someone or somewhere in the city that you thought you never would? If so, what was that like?
- 2. Last week, the Life Group guide challenged you to consider how to partner with the Holy Spirit to be more compassionate to those you find the hardest to love and serve. In what ways did you see the Holy Spirit transform your heart from being indifferent to being more compassionate and loving toward those whom you struggle to love?
- 3. Read Jeremiah 29:1-7 out loud as a Life Group. What stands out to you in this passage and why? What caught your attention in the teaching of this passage?
- 4. How would you describe your commitment to the city's welfare? Has anything changed in this regard after hearing the sermon and reading the Jeremiah 29 passage?
- 5. Are there parts of our city you consider "untouchable?" What would it look like for you to serve/partner with members of those communities?

"When the welfare of the City is good, things will be better for the people of God as well." -Josh Hawley.

6. Read Matthew 5:13-16 and 2 Corinthians. How have you been salt and light to those in your circle of influence? If there are opportunities to grow as an ambassador of Christ in our city, what comes to mind and how can you live out those solutions?

Closing Challenge

Spend time driving around parts of your city you may not always spend time in. List the areas the Holy Spirit places on your heart, and share those places with your group the next time you meet. After sharing, spend 7 minutes in prayer for those areas in the city, and challenge the group to reach out, get to know the people in those communities, and find ways to partner with them in the future.