

The Jesus Stuff

2. Disruptive Faith

ChurchCares Training: May 30, 9-3:30 @Pittsburgh West

Every day, we encounter people who are struggling to navigate life's challenges and, more than ever, carry emotional and mental baggage. This training equips you to be a hopeful, Christ-centered presence for those in distress. Participants are welcome to apply to join the Table Cares team. **Info and registration:** table.org/cares

Table Talk (1/3 of meeting)

- Icebreaker: What's your favorite thing to grill?
- Briefly share a high and/or low from your week.
- How's it going with following and fishing?
Following = taking steps of faith
Fishing = sharing Jesus' love
- Spend time worshipping God through song. Recommended: [King of Kings by Hillsong](#).

Discussion Guidelines

1. Everyone shares in sentences, not paragraphs.
2. Focus only on what this passage is saying. (This keeps everyone on the same page)
3. Share from your perspective – we won't argue or give advice.
4. Give everyone time to respond. Silence is OK.
5. The facilitator will facilitate discussion, not teach.

Discover what God is saying to you. (1/3 of meeting)

Invite someone to pray before reading Mark 2:1-12

- Retell the story in your own words. (This helps us think through the passage)
- What detail stands out to you?
- Each character in the passage experiences disruption. Who do you identify with most– the teachers of the law, the paralyzed man, or his friends?
- Sometimes our concepts of God get disrupted. Share a time when you had to rethink something you believed about God. What difference did that make?
- What's your reaction when your plans are disrupted?
- If disruption is such an important part of growing in faith, why do we resist it?

Go do it. (1/3 of meeting)

- Where have you experienced disruption recently or felt stuck? How can you have a "whatever it takes" attitude in pursuing Jesus through this?
- How can we pray for you? Spend time in prayer for one another.