

The Mission Stuff

2. Mark of Discipleship

Table purpose statement:

This group exists for discipleship. A disciple is someone who loves and obeys Jesus. (John 14:15) That means our focus is hearing from God and taking steps of faith. Our goal is to multiply another healthy Table. That means one day, some of you will lead a group like this!

Table Talk (⅓ of meeting)

- Pretend you're going back to school (if you're not already). What are you excited about? What are you dreading?
- Briefly share a highlight from your week.
- Where is God at work in your life?
- What would it look like if God's Kingdom came to our region? Take time to pray for our community as you are led.

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. (⅓ of meeting)

Big Idea: You can't love God and ignore the people He loves.

Read Mark 12: 28-34. *Tip: Read from two translations. (Ex: NLT, ESV, MSG, etc)*

- What do you notice from this encounter with Jesus?
- Why is love for God connected to love of neighbor?
- The idea of love being our highest purpose is more popular than ever. Why do you think we tend to like that idea more than putting it into practice?
- Loving God with all we are: heart (our will), soul (our essence), mind (our thoughts), and strength (our actions). In which area do you feel strongest/ weakest?
- Our message outlined three traps that sidetrack us from a "no strings attached" love of others: concern over our provision, power, or performance. Which do you struggle with?

Go do it. (⅓ of meeting)

- Take a moment to consider: "If I truly believe that God loves the people around me, what difference should that make in the way I treat them?"
- What is one concrete act of love you will offer this week? We'll check in on that next time!
- Close in worship through song. Recommended: [The Simple Kingdom by Cody Carnes](#).