



Discussion Questions for the week of August 27

Many of us spent the summer at camp or Dallas Experience or mission trips where we had a great experience with God. God does not just want us to live in that experience, He wants us to daily abide with Him in relationship with Jesus Christ. Out of that relationship, God feeds us, and gives us the tools to go and love others.

ICE BREAKER:

If you could go camping with one person, dead or alive, who would it be and why?

DISCUSSION:

1. What was the best part of the summer (each person can only use 5 words – get creative).
2. Share with the group a story of where you saw God show up this summer. It could be in your own life, your friend's life, your family's life.
3. Read John 21:1-19. In this story we see Jesus interacting with the disciples. What are things that pop out to you? Especially starting in verse 9.

Jesus provided the fish when they couldn't catch it, there was already food ready for them to eat, Jesus invited the disciples to have breakfast with him, Jesus continually asks Peter if he loves Jesus, Jesus calls him to go feed his sheep.

4. In John 21:9-13, Jesus invites the disciples to sit with him and be with him – to abide with him. What does it mean to abide with Jesus?

Rest, stay with, to remain. To abide means to be with Jesus.

5. Look up and read John 15:4-5. What do you see in this verse about abiding?
6. In verses 15-17, Jesus asks Peter a question 3 times. What is the question?
7. Jesus still asks us this question today through different situations. What are ways or situations where Jesus whispers, "Do you love me?"

Trial, temptation, fear, persecution, feeling lonely, being made fun for your faith

APPLICATION:

8. What does it look like for *YOU* to abide with Christ? How do you spend time with Jesus?
9. Is that something you get excited about or does it feel more like a chore? Why?
10. What are ways that you can grow in abiding with Christ this year?

Jointhejourney.com, pray, pray without ceasing (1 Thes 5:17), be still (Psalm 46:10), ask your small group to hold you accountable to how you use your time.

11. Out of our abiding relationship with Jesus, God gives us the tools to go and love others. How can you go and "feed his sheep" this week? This year?

Devote Daily, Withdraw Weekly, Abandon Annually

Come and Eat, Love Me, Go and Be