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This study guide is for Session 2: Rediscovering Evangelism

Session 2: Commission & Compassion

1. Canon Mark referred to the Five Great Commissions. Have different people each look up and read them to the group: Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:46-49; John 20:21; Acts 1:8. Discuss what Jesus has commanded us to do and why. What insights to personal evangelism do you see in these commands?
2. How does knowing that God's word commands you to do evangelism motivate you to go and do it? Or if it does not motivate you to go, why not?
3. Telling people they are going to Hell is not usually the best approach to evangelism, however is the truth that people who do not believe in Jesus for salvation go to Hell a motivator for you to do evangelism? Why or why not?
4. Canon Mark reminded us that all people are broken due to sin in this life – some more visibly, some more invisibly. Do you agree with that assessment and why or why not? If you have access to the internet, watch this video and discuss how it applies to evangelism: AmericanAnglican.org/Service
5. Share a time that you looked for satisfaction through possessions, positions, or pleasure, that ultimately left you unsatisfied. If you can, share how you've experienced satisfaction – peace, healing, joy, etc. – through Jesus instead.
6. Is the idea that people are broken and hurting in this life and that Jesus is what they are ultimately looking for (John 4 – The Living Water idea) a motivating factor to do evangelism for you? Why or why not?

Close your group time with prayer in whatever way is most comfortable for you.

Practicum:

Most people in our society are only open to hearing the Gospel at moments of crisis or high stress that this broken world and our broken lives present us with regularly. Below is the Holmes and Rahe stress scale. It lists life events in order of the stress levels they cause. Read over the list.

Life event	Life change units
Death of a spouse	100
Divorce	73
Marital separation	65
Imprisonment	63
Death of a close family member	63
Personal injury or illness	53
Marriage	50
Dismissal from work	47
Marital reconciliation	45
Retirement	45
Change in health of family member	44
Pregnancy	40
Sexual difficulties	39
Gain a new family member	39
Business re-adjustment	39
Change in financial state	38
Change in frequency of arguments	35
Major mortgage	32
Foreclosure of mortgage or loan	30
Change in responsibilities at work	29
Child leaving home	29
Trouble with in-laws	29
Outstanding personal achievement	28
Spouse starts or stops work	26
Begin or end school	26
Change in living conditions	25
Revision of personal habits	24
Trouble with boss	23
Change in working hours or conditions	20
Change in residence	20
Change in schools	20
Change in recreation	19
Change in church activities	19
Change in social activities	18
Minor mortgage or loan	17
Change in sleeping habits	16
Change in number of family reunions	15
Change in eating habits	15
Vacation	13
Christmas	12
Minor violation of law	11

This week start thinking about people you know that are not believers in Christ and experiencing any of these, or others not listed, high stress times. Begin to pray for them and for God to give you compassion for them and their need for Jesus in their lives now and forever.