

Rock Church Pastor Miles McPherson | April 5, 2020

D12 Monthly Focus for April: Serves With Humility

Recite the Do Something Disciple Prayer

"As a Do Something Disciple, I am in a disciplined pursuit for the heart of The Father, a heart that is being perfected in love for God and people.

Father give me a heart that:

- Desperately seeks face-to-face intimacy with You.
- Faithfully avoids that which displeases You.
- Humbly embraces a Kingdom Mindset.
- Values making disciples that make disciples.

Jesus, create in me a heart that:

- Values being guided by the Word of God.
- Gratefully grows in generosity.
- Nurtures a burden for lost people.
- Demonstrates a commitment to a Spirit-filled expression of my gifts.

Holy Spirit develop a heart in me that:

- Gracefully gives and receives forgiveness.
- Passionately worships God.
- Is dependent on the power of prayer.
- Serves with Humility.

"Father, with Christlikeness as my goal and the Holy Spirit as my Guide, knit my heart with Yours. Fill my heart with Your passions, motivations, and desires. In Jesus' Name, Amen."

Sermon Application from Sunday's Message:

Pastor Miles shared with us the importance of taking communion. Campus Pastors walked the church through stages of what communion means. Finally, we were able to take communion as a family.

Take time to read through the following materials in your rGroup and discuss the scriptures and questions provided:

- Read John 6:26-40 Pastor Jason Mayer brought up the question, "Why did Jesus choose to use the analogy of bread?" Jason said that bread is a source of life for all who eat it and is something that is relatable to anyone, especially in the setting in Israel that Jesus was in when He said "I am the bread of life;" in John 6:35.
 - In John 6:26-27, Jesus accuses the crowd of following Him simply because they wanted "edible" food or material satisfaction not because of their faith in Him.
 - Have you ever sought after God strictly for your material satisfaction rather than spiritual satisfaction? Why, as human beings, do we tend to do this?
 - In John 6:28-29, the people ask Jesus what "work" they should do, and Jesus responds that the only work required is to "believe" in Jesus.
 - Why do we sometimes struggle with the fact that our belief in Jesus is all that is necessary to have a relationship with Him?
 - In John 6:30-34, the people continue to struggle with the spiritual things as they focus on the physical bread given in the wilderness journey given by Moses rather than Jesus as the "true bread" given by the Father. Finally, in verses 35-40, Jesus tells them plainly that He is the "Bread of Life," He is the one who has eternal life.
- Read 1 Corinthians 11:23-27 Pastor Travis gave instruction of what communion means. In these verses, we see Paul walking the Corinthian church of how Jesus did communion.
 - In your group, take some time and do communion as a group following the format laid out in 1 Corinthians 11:23-27.

Next Steps:

• Serve the community! Visit <u>https://www.sdrock.com/ministries/disaster/volunteer/</u> for serving opportunities.

Monthly Memory Verse: Mark 10:45 – "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

This Week's Bible Reading / The Bible Project Videos 2 Samuel 5-24: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/2-samuel/</u> Psalms 42-49: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/psalms/</u>

