

Rock Church
Pastor Miles McPherson | Difference Making Intimacy | July 19, 2020

D12 Monthly Focus for July: Humbly Embraces A Kingdom Mindset

Sermon Application from Sunday's Message:

On Sunday, Pastor Miles opened the message by talking about how he and his wife are so alike that they find themselves thinking about the same things at the same time! Pastor Miles and his wife have a "oneness" which comes from a blessed intimate relationship that they have with each other. We need to be in an intimate relationship with God in such a way that God has access to every dimension of our lives and we are hearing and obeying His voice as we listen to what He is telling us on a daily basis. We need to have a "oneness" with God. Intimacy is having vulnerable proximity with the Father in every dimension in your life. We, as believers, must desperately seek face to face intimacy with God.

As a group, take time to read through the following statements and discuss the questions below.

- 1. Like Jesus, we engage in face-to-face ministry by pursuing oneness with the Father. **Read: John 14:7-15**
 - o How do you pursue oneness with the Father?
 - Do you engage God through Bible reading and prayer daily? Do you hear from God when you read the Bible and pray? What does He say to you?
- 2. Like Jesus, we mentor others in face-to-face intimacy by encouraging them to place the needs of others before their own. **Read: Philippians 2:1-18**
 - Who are the people in your life that God wants you to help? Why is it important to put their needs before yours?
 - Who are you currently mentoring and why did you choose to mentor them? If you are not mentoring anyone, can you think of anyone in your life that you could mentor? Who are they?

- 3. Like Jesus, we multiply face-to-face ministry by releasing others to the Father's call on their life. **Read: John 17:13-21**
 - In your group, go around and share what you believe God may be calling you to
 do for Him. Maybe God is calling you to share Jesus with your coworkers, family,
 friends, or community.
 - o Is there a specific "call" that God has put on your life? For example, God may be calling you to start a group, ministry, become a missionary, or something else.

Next Steps:

- Encourage your Group members to branch off and host or start their own groups for the new difference maker series. Have them text GROUPS to 52525 for more information on hosting an rGroup or starting a dGroup.
- Take the LIFE Class and learn more about your gifts and how you can use them in ministry. Text LIFE to 52525 to get started.

THIS MONTH'S MEMORY VERSE: Therefore, whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. – Matthew 18:4 NKJV

This Week's Bible Reading / The Bible Project Videos Jeremiah 26-52 - https://bibleproject.com/explore/jeremiah/ Proverbs 20 - https://bibleproject.com/explore/proverbs/

