

March 22 Discussion Questions

“On a Mission”

John 20:19-31

Review

Jesus came to **Accomplish** salvation

- He paid the price to **Reconcile** sinners to God (v. 19; Is. 53:5; 2 Cor. 5:18-20)
- He offers peace with God to all who **Surrender** to Him as King (Rom. 5:1; 10:9-10)

We must go to **Announce** salvation in Jesus

- **Necessity** - We must go (v. 21; Matt. 28:19)
- **Authority** - We can go (v. 22; Matt. 28:18,20)
- **Urgency** - They must hear (v. 23; Rom. 10:13-15; Acts 4:12)

Connect

1. Outside of the Gospel, what's some of the greatest news you've ever gotten to share with someone? What was their response? How did you feel before and after sharing it?
2. Why is the Gospel great news? Why do we not always possess a similar joy to that of life's other joys when sharing it?

Read John 20:19-31

Discuss

3. What most strikes you in this passage? Why?
4. What is the setting for this story? How are the disciples feeling? Why is this the case?
5. What terms of peace does Jesus offer to believers?
6. Upon arriving, what command and blessing did Jesus give His disciples? (v.21-22)
7. Why must Jesus be *both* our Savior and Lord? How does this understanding play into Jesus' expectations for His disciples in this passage?
8. What was Thomas' reaction to the disciples' Jesus-sighting? How are we often like Thomas?
9. Based upon Jesus' response to Thomas' disbelief, what can we learn about the heart of God?

Apply

10. Identify a past season of life when you were more missional. Why was that the case? What has changed between then and now?
11. Which of these do you personally most need in order to be more missional and why?
 - a. A greater love for the lost

- b. A greater sense of urgency
 - c. A greater dependence on the Holy Spirit
 - d. A greater belief that God can save anyone
12. Identify the one person you sense God is most calling you to share the Gospel with. What do you believe is your greatest personal obstacle to reaching them? What plan can you make this week in Christ to overcome that obstacle?
13. In light of COVID-19's social-distancing limitations, what are some creative ways you can still bring the Gospel to people?

Pray

14. Pray that God purifies and multiplies His church in these coming weeks. Ask Him to make you more excited and obedient to share this mission with Him.