

Community Group Notes from Sunday 14th June

“In”

Called to be a Disciple - Mark 12:35-44

On Sunday we looked at the fact that Jesus calls us to be His disciples. The passage from Mark highlighted 3 things:

1. **Having a correct view of Jesus** (vs35-37) – the Scribe had an incorrect view of the Messiah as someone from David's line who was a conquering hero that would fight Israel's oppressors. Jesus points out that He was someone superior to David and had to come to fight the ultimate enemy of sin
2. **An inward Change** (vs 38-40) – Following Jesus begins with an inward change of heart and is not about outward religious activity as a pretence to Godliness that Jesus soundly condemns
3. **Giving it all to Him** (vs 41-44) – Using the example of money Jesus shows that his disciples are called to give everything up for Him and not to just give a little that is convenient for them.

Application and Questions

1. What are you doing at the moment to ensure you have a correct view of Jesus? Reading the Bible is the easiest way to keep a correct view of Jesus so how is that going and what are reading? Do you have any tips to share on how you keep a correct view of Jesus?
2. Spend sometime sharing with one another about when you became a Disciple of Jesus and experienced an inward change. What were the immediate effects of this change? What did other people see and experience?
3. In your journey as a Christian what has God called you to give over to Him? Is there anything at this time God is calling you to give up for Him or give to Him?

“Out”

Did you come to Try Church? What a fantastic meeting. It was packed with church and guests. If you missed it you truly did miss out!!! Share your experience of Try Church and any conversations you had. Pray for the guests at Try Church that they will have the courage and opportunity to follow up what Jesus started doing in their lives – I manage to pray for 2 young women who responded to the message and want to start coming to church.

This week it would be great to plan some things to do as a group with your friends who are not in your group. Why not try a BBQ, a small dinner party, a night at the pub, Saturday brunch or a Sunday afternoon walk. Try and ask the right people in your group to join you with your friends. Remember you can have several different things going on you don't have to invite the whole group to the same event.

As usual I would love to hear any stories and because the story telling is slow in coming forward if you mail me a story this week there will be rewards!!! So please email: melanie@thecommunitychurch.org.uk

Events Coming Up...

Sunday 21st June - **Father's Day Celebration** 9:15 and 11:30 @ The Charis Centre

Sunday 28th June – **Guest Preacher: Tope Keleoso** 9:15 and 11:30 @ The Charis Centre

Wednesday 1st July - **Group Leaders & Coaches Meeting** 7:45 @ The Charis Centre

This Sunday...

Next Sunday is our Father's Day Celebration where Peter Vincent will be speaking – bring your Dad!