



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Renewed Mind - Discipleship Relationships

Matthew 28:19-20; Romans 12:1-2

1. This week, we continued our study of Spring Hills Core Values by examining the values of a renewed mind as well as discipleship relationships. The core value of a renewed mind comes from Romans 12:1-2.

Romans 12:1-2 **Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God — this is your true and proper worship. 2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then, you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing , and perfect will.**

What stands out to you from this amazing Scripture?

What from this Scripture is especially relevant to you personally right now in your life? Why?

2. How would you personally describe a "renewed mind"? How do you think our minds become renewed?

3. Our minds are renewed in many ways, but I have no doubt that one way is through relationships that help to uplift and change our thinking. Do you agree? Tell the story of a time when your thinking was changed because of a relationship.

4. Our second Core Value of the week is Discipleship Relationships. This term comes from **Matthew 28:19-20 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.**

Discuss this verse with your group. Discuss the context and the calling of this verse. Discipleship refers to the process of learning from someone who has more experience. This process can involve training, discipline, growth, and sacrifice. Biblical discipleship, both being a disciple and making disciples, is commanded by Jesus in Matthew 28:19-20. Discipleship is not just about your relationship with Jesus, but about working together with others and building the body of Christ, the Church. Take a moment to talk through the concepts and impact of discipleship.

A discipleship relationship is an intentionally formed partnership in which a Christian teacher, leader or mentor leads an individual or group into a deeper relationship with Christ. The goal of discipleship is to become more like Christ. If you are in a community group, you are in a discipleship relationship with the leader of your group and the other members of the group.

In what ways has your experience with your community group helped you grow in your relationship with Christ?

5. Discipleship is not about making a few small changes. It is about understanding and living out a way of life. Take some time to discuss this verse.

1 Corinthians 4:16-17 Therefore, I urge you to imitate me. For this reason, I have sent to you Timothy, my son whom I love, who is faithful in the Lord. He will remind you of my way of life in Christ Jesus, which agrees with what I teach everywhere in every church.

In the first few chapters of First Corinthians, Paul rebuked and corrected the Corinthians on many issues. They are falling short as a church, and Paul knows they need to change course. Paul knows they need more than just his teaching to correct them. They need a model and a relationship that teaches them about the way of life in Christ Jesus. So he sends Timothy to remind them and show them how to live in Christ. This should demonstrate the importance of discipleship relationships and how we need to remind and inspire each other to live out life in Christ Jesus.

How important is it for you personally to have a leader or other relationship with someone who can help you grow? You should also aspire to one day be a leader who helps others grow if you're not there already.