**DATE:** January 12, 2025

TITLE: Missing the Point

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 9:14-17

SPEAKER: Patrick Mostek

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

ICE BREAKER: Create your own icebreaker question to get the group interacting.

# **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

### Read Matthew 9:14-17

- 1. What is the BIG IDEA of the Scripture as it was taught this week?
- 2. What in this text caught your attention?
- 3. What does this text tell us about God?
- 4. What does this text tell us about ourselves/mankind?
- 5. What is the Christ Connection?
- 6. What should our response be to this text?

#### **APPLICATION**

- 1. What is your nagging unanswered question?
- 2. What did you want to hear that you didn't hear from the message?
- 3. How can we get to know God as He is and not in the limited way we do now?
- 4. Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion. Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life? What does God want you to know or do?
- 5. What's one thing from this text that you could say to an unbeliever about who God is?

#### **PRAYER**

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs and for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

#### SHEPHERDING

Check the roster and see who is not there. Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be meet by the group? Specific prayer requests? Ask for someone to reach out and say, "We missed you."

### MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE FOR DECEMBER:

Psalm 16:11 - You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## REMINDERS

## **Small Group Checklist**

- Ask about ideas to serve in some way together. Serve lx every six weeks or so.
- Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!! One way to reach 'out' together is to welcome people 'in.'
- Discuss childcare, if needed.
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.
- Go through the Announcements in the Bulletin together to see what is coming up at FCC and how you can get plugged in! Here are a couple of those things all registrations can be found on the events tab of the website.
- We are looking for Small Groups to sign up to serve our Youth Group on Wednesday Nights. If each small
  group signs up for 1 Wednesday, we will be covered! Register online and get to know the younger generation
  in our church.
- If you are currently serving on the Hospitality Team or looking to join the team, we invite you to our Hospitality
  Team Meeting and Training on Sunday, January 19th immediately following 2nd service. We will go over
  expectations, do some training, and learn about using Planning Center for scheduling. Lunch will be served so
  please RSVP!
- Ruby's Pantry is this week!!! Come and see us at the Armory from 5-7 for a share of food, or sign up on the
  events tab of the website to volunteer!