

Jan 30: What Witness Looks Like

Icebreaker:

Do you have a favorite mission trip memory? If you haven't had the opportunity to go, where would you like to go for a missionary experience?

Message Bible Text:

Romans 12:9-13

Discussion Questions:

- Has anyone ever witnessed to you? How did you respond, and why?
- 2. Have you ever been a witness to someone else? What did you do?
- 3. Why do we do missionary work?
- 4. What are the marks of a missional minded church?

Supplemental Bible Texts:

Proverbs 25:21-22

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How can you be a witness to those around you?
- 2. How can our congregation benefit by being more mission focused?
- 3. What do you feel gifted to do or feel called to do?

4. In verse 20, it refers to "heap burning coals on his head". How does this connect with loving your neighbor and mission work? (This statement may refer to an Egyptian tradition of carrying a pan of burning charcoal on one's head as a public act of repentance. – Taken from Life Application Study Bible)

Take-Home Thoughts:

- Witness does not need to be a great thing. The small moments can be a witness to God in someone's life.
- Witness needs to be authentic, passionate, and purposeful.
- "Hell is endless autobiography" C.S. Lewis

Prayer Requests (use the extra bullets to place your own requests or your small group's requests):

- Thanks to our God for sincere love for us
- Pray that the Holy Spirit works in our congregation to grow our mission to all.
- Pray for ongoing discernment for our 40 days of prayer and the decisions of the church
- Pray that each member of the congregation finds a way to serve
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Memory Verse:

Romans 12:9-10 – Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.