



SBSG – Sermon Series – Humbled: The Church

The Purpose of a Sermon Based Small Group (to be read at the beginning of each gathering)

The purpose of our small group is to actively pursue Christ through relationships, as we worship, serve, and belong together.

READ ALOUD BY ALL (allow this prayer to shape your time together)

Dear God, help me in this dialogue to be humble & suspend judgment. I recognize that we are all created in your image. Give me courage to stay curious about each other by asking questions. Thank you, God, for this opportunity to meet together and in so doing grow closer to you. AMEN

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Opening question: When have you had to rely on someone else? How did that feel?

Sermon Synopsis: One of the humblest acts of Jesus was to entrust his church to us. Jesus places his entire reputation on us. We are to be God's representatives in the world, to show the world what God is like. To do this we must empty ourselves to be filled up with God.

Bible Reading

Reading the Bible is about reading for practice and spiritual formation – spiritual formation, in which the reader seeks to be formed by the Spirit of God.

Passage(s) from the sermon: Mark 6:6b-13, Matthew 28:16-20 (NRSV)

What questions do you have about the passages/sermon?

What do you feel God is saying to you through this passage?

Discipleship Point: God expects us to take the church to the world.

What is one way that you need to be obedient to this week?

Personal Prayer Request

Share a one or two sentence prayer request with the Small Group for this next week. Remember these prayer requests are about your life not someone else's.

(Sample Prayer)

God, we thank you for your presence with us. We lift up these requests to you knowing that you care deeply about us...we pray for _____ and _____ and (fill in prayer requests) ... God we know that you have heard our request and we release all outcomes to you and your glory. It's in your Son's name Jesus that we pray...**AMEN.**