

GROUP DISCUSSION

Questions for facilitating dynamic discussion

The Lost Art (of Disciple Making)

Week of August 17, 2019

Week 3: It is Written (Jeff Griffin, Senior Pastor)

Text: Matthew 13:52

We continued our training in disciple-making by looking at how we can help our disciples to feed off the Word of God. Jesus taught His men to love the Scriptures. He provided them, and us, with a tiny parable that demonstrates how to help others connect with the transformational power found in the Bible.

Kicking it off: School has started again for most kids. Think back to when you were a child and tell the group how you felt about the end of summer break and the return to school.

Discussion:

1. Reread Jesus' words found in *Matthew 4:4* "Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."

In what ways is the Bible like food?

2. Reread this conclusion from "The Reveal Study," which surveyed over 250,000 Christians. "Nothing has a greater impact on spiritual growth than reflection on Scripture."

Does this finding surprise you? Why or why not?

3. Reread "The Parable of the House Owner" found in *Matthew 13:52* "Every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old."

In what ways are biblical truths like treasures?

4. How can we benefit from reading "old treasures" we have encountered in the Bible before?
5. What does it mean for us to get precious bible verses into our "storeroom?" What are some ways that we can store up scripture so that it is accessible when needed?
6. What are some ways that we can "bring out" biblical truths for others to enjoy?

Wrapping It Up:

Pray that the people of The Compass Church would become immersed and in love with God's Word.