



MISSIONS

SESSION 6: BIBLICAL PRACTICALITY



IN THIS SESSION

The Bible does not merely tell followers of Jesus of their mission, it gives them practical ways to accomplish that mission. This Session will explore six (6) practical ways to engage in missions that flow from the instruction of Scripture.



KEY PASSAGES

- **Mark 10:42-45** ⁴² Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”
- **Ephesians 4:1-6** ¹ As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.



DISCUSS

- The Bible speaks extensively about the unique unity in diversity that is the Body of Christ. What are some ways you can ensure this teaching of the Bible becomes evident in the way you operate and not just a point of factual agreement? What opportunities to serve alongside other Christ-followers will help you both employ your gift in the service of God’s kingdom and be challenged to not make it the focus of celebration?
- With the person or group you are taking this Study with, brainstorm the benefits of being spiritually prepared before engaging in acts of mission. What could happen to efforts in missions if such spiritual preparation was lacking? How does preparation in prayer and with the Spirit’s leading impact any missional endeavor?
- Think back through the journey of this Study. What has been the most influential paradigm shift about the nature and practice of missions from when you began the Study until now? How can you ensure you continue engaging in thought-provoking reflection on missions and take what you’ve learned to invest it wisely in loving action? Consider taking another person through this Study to pass on what you’ve learned.



PRAY

Thank God for the invitation to be a part of his mission to reach lost and hurting people! Celebrate that the Father has worked through the Son and sent his Spirit to empower you

toward effectiveness and success for his kingdom's sake. Pray further for the leading of the Spirit about next steps for you further engaging yourself in missions.