



discussion starters.

March 28th | Live Sent

We invite you to take the content of our Sunday Morning worship hour, and discuss with a friend, your family, or your LIFEgroup each week. This is meant to be a guide for your discussions and can be used as a launching point or complete study outline. Feel free to choose all, many or even just one that will work best for your LIFEgroup.

SUMMARY.

Often when thinking about evangelism or sharing our faith, we run the risk of compartmentalizing, thinking there are certain times or places where we do this: mission trips, church outreach events, door to door evangelism. However, what the Apostle Paul and others show us, is all followers of Jesus are to live sent, wherever we are, to meet people wherever they are, in order to connect them to Jesus.

Whether in our homes, at our schools, at our jobs, in our neighborhoods, or in our churches, we are to live like God sent us there with the mission to connect people to Jesus.

A SCRIPTURE TO READ.

"...do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you."

Matthew 10:19-20 (NIV)

"... Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,"

1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)

"Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you. "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. 'For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.' "Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead."

Acts 17:22-31 (NIV)

B QUESTIONS TO ASK.

1 Have you ever thought of evangelism as a duty or obligation? What ideas/perspectives bring us to that point?

2 How has your care for someone's life and faith, led to a bold and compassionate act of love/evangelism toward them?

3 Where have you been lacking motive to "get up and go" and care for others through sharing your faith??

C APPLICATION | CHALLENGE.

What is God speaking to you about?

What is He calling you to do about it?

We would love to hear your highlights from this discussion so please email us at office@avonwesleyanchurch.com or text us at 585-622-4575.

D ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES & RESOURCES.

Visit our webpage www.avonwesleyanchurch.com/lifegroups for more resources and to watch bonus content.

These additional resources may include videos from The Bible Project, worship songs, and others for our younger kids.

E QUESTIONS FOR FAMILIES WITH KIDS



1

When we give our hearts to Jesus, we are set in motion.....What should we be doing while we move?

2

What makes it hard to share our faith with others?

3

Is it easier to share our faith when we know someone is hurting and needs Jesus?

4

How do we meet people where they are? What does that mean? Think of an example with your group/family.