

Discussion Guide
Heart Check: Messengers wk1
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Big Idea

God is on a mission to our hurting world and has invited you to be His Messenger.



Icebreaker

Have you ever been on an “official” Mission Trip? If so, where to (a different community, city, and/or country)? How was the experience a blessing to you? If you haven’t been on one, are there ways you have supported others on one? How so? What was that experience like for you?



Discussion Questions

1. During church service we saw two video testimonies along with two live interviews related to our Heart Check campaign efforts, share something powerful that you heard or something that you learned in these testimonies/interviews? What made it powerful and is there some way in which you feel led to respond to what you heard from the testimony/interview?
2. Bjorn shared regarding his personal journey toward realizing how God wanted to use him to share the Good News of Christ with others. What were some avenues God used to help Bjorn realize this? Have you ever realized that God wants you to share the Good News of Christ with others? How did God orchestrate that realization for you (what avenues did He use)? What, if anything, have you done, thus far, with that realization?
3. Read Romans 10:1-4 (NLT). God longs for lost people to be saved and when that is our heart’s desire, our heart is aligned with His. What lengths did God go to...what did He have to “put up with” regarding you...how did He need to be patient with you, along your journey of being saved? How does that influence how you view others?
4. Continue to think about Romans 10:1-4 & read Romans 10:9-13 (NLT). Does your heart long for people to be saved and do you pray for them? Is there a certain set of people, or a specific people group, that you long to see saved? Why? What is your role in seeing your & God’s heart-longing in this come to pass?
5. Read Romans 10:14-15. If we accept God’s calling of us to be His Messengers, what are some things that we are to do? The following was a powerful statement from the sermon: “*Our role is not to control the outcome of our steps, but simply to go.*” Discuss this statement and how it is a good reminder & encouragement to us as His Messengers.



Concluding Question

What is your small step of obedience today? Some suggestions are:

- PRAYING for God to speak to you over these next few weeks as we dive deeper into the Heart Check: Messengers series.
- BELIEF in Christ per Romans 10:9-10.
- Using your WORDS to share the Good News of Christ with someone.
- GOING in some way, shape, or form to be a missionary to someone in some place.



Application

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?



Prayer

Pray that all will give in at least 1 of the 3-ways identified today (time, prayer, finances) toward Heart Check: Messengers. And for those that already are in 1 of the 3-ways, to take further steps of obedience.