

Vision Series Small Group Discussion

Hillside's Vision: *To revolutionize our world by fully embodying the way of Jesus.*

Verses to Discuss: 2 Corinthians 4:6, John 12:32

What do these verses say to us about our relationship with Jesus? How might they inform what it means to “embody” the way of Jesus?

What do you think it might mean for the world to be “revolutionized”?

What types of things can you do in your own life and in community to better embody the way of Jesus?

Ministry Strategy #1: Evangelism and Spiritual Discovery

To humbly communicate and model Jesus in the world around us in vivid and fresh ways.

Verse to Discuss: Acts 3:1-11

How did Peter and John model the way of Jesus in this passage? What was the result of their evangelism?

What tools for evangelism mentioned in this passage could be translated into our lives today?

Share a story or an experience of when you have communicated or modeled the way of Jesus in your personal life. What was the outcome?

If you feel comfortable, share with the group a way that God might be challenging you to communicate His love to someone you know.

Ministry Strategy #2: Leadership Development

To raise up, equip, and empower lay leadership with pastoral oversight, support, and encouragement.

Verse to Discuss: 1 Corinthians 3:4-9

What strikes you about this passage?

What do you think about the common vision and ministry strategies that we have been discussing this past month? What are you excited about? What do you think is missing?*

How might you see yourself being involved in leadership and ministry at Hillside in the upcoming year?*

Ministry Strategy #3: Corporate Prayer

To intentionally practice and encourage faithful corporate prayer in and among the congregation.

Verse to Discuss: Matthew 7:7-8

How does this verse motivate you in terms of your personal prayer life? In terms of your commitment to pray together in community?

Spend time in prayer – both for your personal requests and on behalf of the work that God is doing at Hillside.

* If you are comfortable, share your ideas with Peter at (925) 937-0318 or smallgroups@hillsidecovenant.org and he will pass them on to church leadership.