

Discipleship Class

Spring 2024 Syllabus



Week	Topic	Homework
(1) April 10-11	The Original Jesus-Community How did the first community of Jesus' disciples live out Jesus' central mission and message in their world? What does Acts 2:42-48 teach us about what it means to be Jesus' people together?	Discussion Group (some time before next class) Read: Acts 1-4
(2) April 17-18	Spiritual Friendship That original community of Jesus' people was "devoted to fellowship"? What does that mean? How do we make and keep lifelong friends?	Discussion Group Conversation Lab: "What is the highest expression of human love? Where do you see that in our world?" Read: Acts 5-8
(3) April 24-25	Sexuality That community of Jesus had to figure out how to apply what the Bible says about human sexuality to a very different surrounding culture in the first century. How does Jesus want us to live out a biblical sexual ethic in our surrounding culture today?	Discussion Group Conversation Lab: catch up week Read: Acts 9-12
(4) May 1-2	Kingdom Diversity That original Jesus community included people from a wide variety of ethnic, linguistic, and cultural backgrounds. What does it look like for our community to welcome every sub-culture around us so that CCF looks like the Kingdom of God?	Discussion Group Conversation Lab: "What is the #1 problem in our world? What is the cause of that problem? What is the solution?" Read: Acts 13-16
(5) May 8-9	Making Disciples Of All Nations The first Jesus communities looked for strategic places and people to introduce to Jesus, so that His message would spread all over the world. How should <u>we</u> take seriously the strategic place that a university is, and the strategic people who are coming here from other countries?	Discussion Group Conversation Lab: catch up week Read: Acts 17-20
(6) May 15-16	*canceled for May SICM*	Discussion Group: Introduce yourself to a SICM student this week, and ask them how you can pray for them. Read: Acts 21-24
(7) May 22-23	Eschatology The original community of Jesus had a clear vision of what "the end" of the mission and message of Jesus was. They put great hope in the trajectory of the human story and in God's rescue of all creation. How should our understanding of "the end" shape our lives now, like it did for that first community of Jesus?	Discussion Group Conversation Lab: "When you think about the future of the world, are you mostly hopeful or mostly concerned? Why?" Read: Acts 25-28
(8) May 29-30	A Spiritually Healthy Summer How do we keep growing and pursuing Jesus over the summer, when the rhythms and schedule that we're used to change?	Last Discussion Group Conversation Lab: catch up week Read: finish Acts if you haven't already