

Discovering Life Together

U-Understand

Matthew 17:14-20, Mark 9:14-29, Luke 9:37-43

Examples of what it means to Understanding other's needs and responding to them.

- I. Example 1: Jesus and His disciples
 - a. Matthew 17:14-20
 - b. Mark 9:14-29
 - c. Luke 9: 37-43

Jesus understood what the disciples needed.

1. Bigger faith
2. Understand the power of prayer
3. Right-Size God

- II. Example 2: Paul and Timothy
 - *Progression of the discipleship relationship
 1. Life on Life
 - i. Acts 16:1-5
 2. Co-Worker
 - i. Romans 16:21
 3. Continues to encourage and respond by writing Timothy letters

3 Keys to Understanding

1. Takes time, energy, effort
2. Takes the ability to challenge with truth and receive the challenge.
3. Takes humility

Questions for Community groups and Individual Bible Study

For Starters: Have you ever been misunderstood? Give an example.

The Basics: Jesus understood and responded to the disciples needs. Read the three passages from example 1. Were there other needs of the disciples besides the three written above that Jesus addressed? Out of the 3 above or others, which needs are God addressing in your life? How are you implementing what God is showing you?

Going Deeper:

***Faith:** Read Hebrews 11, Ephesians 2:8, Matthew 8:23-27: What is God teaching you about faith?

***Prayer:** Read Luke 11:1-4, James 1:5-8, Romans 12:12, Ephesians 6:17-19, Philippians 4:6, James 5:16: With these verses what do you learn about prayer?

***Right-Size God:** Psalm 145:3, Isaiah 41:10, Psalm 95:3, Ephesians 3:20, Isaiah 55:8-9, 1 Peter 5:7, Genesis 1:1, Psalm 139:1-6: After reading these verses, what is your response? How will you live differently? What applications are you going to make in your life?