

2023-24 Aim Check-in

- Becoming disciples who make disciples, who make disciples.
 - Creating a community of faith that meaningfully engages our community of residence.
1. Since you last met as a H2H group, have you made any movement towards the aims we've set?
 2. How might we as a H2H group help support or encourage you towards these aims?

Discussion Questions Set #1

“Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come ...” (Ecclesiastes 12:1)

“Be very careful how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.” (Ephesians 5:16-17)

1. Do you believe that there is an “I’ll get around to that one day” sense to faith generally in the church? How about among those who are younger?
2. Why do you think this sense might exist in the church? What kinds of practices contribute to this understanding? How might we effectively address such thinking in the church?
3. What kinds of obstacles might living with such a view cause for the follower of Jesus?
4. What might these verses suggest about the importance of the discipling of young people?

Discussion Questions Set #2

“Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of all mankind. For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil.” (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14)

1. Discuss how the fear of God differs for those of us “under the Son”? In what ways does the knowledge of Jesus permit one to shift from a cowering fear of God to an ability to appreciate the majesty of God with fear, trembling, reverence and awe? How does Jesus fill out for us in fullness what it means to fear God?
2. Discuss this “discipleship wheel”. How does it help us understand the process of discipleship?
3. Why is it significant that the abandonment of sinful patterns and passions is viewed as an outcome of the discipleship process and not a prerequisite for it? What difference might this make?
4. How do the fear of God and the following of His commandments function within this wheel?
5. What practical difference might it make to view obedience and worship as a response to love and intimacy with Jesus, rather than as a rote, prescribed action?
6. Discuss the place of love within the wheel. How does “perfect love drive out fear” (1 John 4:18)?
7. If we understand our goal is to fear God and keep His commandments, what might be some initial practical steps towards this goal? How might you go about more greatly fearing God or becoming more obedient to His commandments, even fractionally?

