

Not only did Jesus call people to follow him but he also **sent them out** to do the ministry that he was doing. This is part of who we are as HFC as well.

- Talk about a time in which you went away *for the first time*—college, camp, long distance trip. How did you feel before you left and while you were there?

The key here is “the first time.” You should hear things like “nervous but then fun.”

- Someone pray for God to speak during the Bible study.

Luke 9:1-6, 10:1-3. Read these verses 2-3 times from the Bible. **As you read think about what seems most significant to you or what questions this brings up for you?**

The focus here is on the sending. Try not to get hung up on the “Woes” in Luke 10 and other outside details. Try to get your group to think about what those apostles and disciples might have felt as Jesus was sending them out without him.

- What stands out to you as significant or what questions come to mind from these two stories?

- Who did God send to share good news with you? How did it happen?

Be ready to share the story of who shared good news with you and what that looked like. Your level of transparency and authenticity will set the pace for the rest of the group .

- How do you feel about being sent? Explain.

This may be a good place to ask people to say a bit more. You might ask questions like, “Do you know why you feel that way?” or simply ask, “Could you say a bit more about that?” After each person finishes allow for a pause before you or anyone else says anything just to make sure they are really done.

As We Go:

- How is God challenging you and/or what is God prompting you to do as a result of these stories?

Again, be ready to share yours. Your group members may be a bit shy when it comes to naming action steps.

- Pray for each other, your opportunities to share good news with others, and the Easter services that will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

Community Group Covenants

Community Group Member Covenant

- I will make attendance a priority in my schedule and involvement a priority in my participation.
- I will build trust by holding in confidence those things shared in the Community Group.
- I will engage with a disciple maker—someone that will help me grow as a disciple of Jesus and teach me how to be a disciple maker as well.

Community Group Apprentice Covenant

- I will pray for the Community Group Members daily.
- I will accept the responsibility to invite and welcome others into the Community Group.
- I will relationally disciple someone in the Community Group weekly beyond group meetings focusing on their personal relationship with Jesus, and others they are discipling.
- I will seek to multiply the Community Group and not just grow the group.
- I will talk with my Community Group Leader each week and meet with him/her monthly.

Community Group Leader Covenant

- I will pray for the Community Group Members daily.
- I will accept the responsibility to invite and welcome others into the Community Group.
- I will relationally disciple an apprentice in the Community Group weekly beyond group meetings focusing on their personal relationship with Jesus, leadership skills they are developing in the group meeting and others they are discipling.
- I will seek to multiply the Community Group and not just grow the group.
- I will talk with my Community Group Coach each week and meet with him/her monthly.

Community Group Coach Covenant

- I will pray for my assigned Community Group Leaders daily.
- I will call my assigned Community Group Leaders each week to process the group time, their progress with their apprentice, and their personal relationship with Jesus.
- I will meet with my assigned Community Group Leaders each month to process the group time, their progress with their apprentice, and their personal relationship with Jesus.
- I will talk with my Community Group Pastor every other week and meet together each month.

Community Group Pastor Covenant

- I will pray for my assigned Community Group Coaches daily.
- I will call my assigned Community Group Coaches every other week to process leader development, their personal relationship with Jesus and those they are personally discipling.
- I will meet with my assigned Community Group Coaches every month to process leader development, their personal relationship with Jesus and those they are personally discipling.