

# THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE KING

BEING & MAKING DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Part 1: "Together"  
**Part 2: "Trust"**

Part 3: "Grow"  
Part 4: "Give"  
Part 5: "Go"

## APPETIZER: Donut Souls

- Knowing what we're not, but not what we are.
- Identifying how NOT to follow Jesus, but forgetting to actually follow him.
- Defining our perimeter, but leaving the middle empty.

"Dear God, I thank you that I am not like them."

VS

"God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

Luke 18:9-14

## DINE IN: Getting The Gospel

Romans 1:16-17; Titus 3:4-8; Ephesians 2

TRUST (*pistis*) =

To believe in or have faith in someone; to fully rely on someone.

Trust is how we begin a relationship with Jesus.  
And trust is how we continue it.

THE GOSPEL IN THIRTY WORDS...

The Gospel is the Best News you will ever get – God has come to us through Christ to...

- SHOW his love
- SAVE from sin
- SHARE his life
- SHUT DOWN religion

Romans 4:4-5; Galatians 2:16; Philippians 3:9; John 1:17

## TAKE OUT: I'll Have That To Go Please

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.  
~ The Apostle John (Revelation 22:17)

Dear God,

- Thank you for this Good News about your LOVE for me and the LIFE you have for me.
- I accept your GIFT of salvation and I TRUST in Jesus to be my Lord, my Leader, my Master, and my Mentor.
- I'm sorry for my sins and I thank you for your forgiveness.
- I no longer want to run away from you, or ignore you, or live for any purpose other than you.
- Thank you for being my friend. I'm excited to be yours. And I'm looking forward to all that lies ahead.

Amen

NEXT STEPS...

1. If you missed last Sunday, sign up for a Home Church today.
2. Talk to your pastor or elder about being baptized.
3. Start living like a full member of God's family, and not just a visitor.

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## Home Church Questions

### HANGOUT [Warming Up to the Topic]

1. After reviewing Sunday's message, talk about what stood out to you – whether lessons learned or lingering questions. (There is enough content to keep you busy on this question for a while. Have fun!)

### HEAR [Listening to God through Scripture]

2. Read **Ephesians 2**.
  - a. What verse or idea stands out to you? Why?
  - b. Walk through the chapter slowly and list those places that support the Gospel message as it was outlined this week – the message of God's love, salvation from sin, the life God shares, and how God shuts down religion.
  - c. In your own words, what is the Gospel?
  - d. What aspect of the Gospel excites, interests or encourages you the most?

### HUDDLE [Making It Personal and Praying Together]

3. Have you been baptized? Why or why not?
4. When is the last time you shared the Gospel with someone?
5. Is there anyone close to you that you would like to embrace the Good News of Jesus? Talk about them and pray for them together.

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## Quotes

Today we continue a new series about how we at The Meeting House can be all that God has called us to be – nothing more, and nothing less.

Jesus told his disciples that their first priority must be to help others become disciples, students of the way of Jesus. As a church, this is why we exist – to help people learn from, follow, and become like Jesus.

Today we're talking about the first stage of the journey of discipleship: TRUST, as our response to God's offer of salvation as a gift of grace.

In Ephesians 2 the Apostle Paul writes...

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins.

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — not by works, so that no one can boast.

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility. He did this by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations.

His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace.

He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household.  
~ The Apostle Paul (Ephesians 2)

The time has come. The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!  
~ Jesus