

Vision Update Weekend

MATTHEW 28:18-20

Opening Questions

- 1. Describe the riskiest or scariest thing you've done to trust God? What happened?
- 2. Describe a time God wanted you to do or say something and you refused? What happened?
- 3. What question would you like to ask Pastor Carter about his message this weekend?

In the Word

- 1. Read Matthew 28:18-20 (compare to Luke 24:46-49).
- 2. Look at the larger context of Matthew 28:18-20. To whom is Jesus speaking and when does this take place? What happens to Jesus right after this occasion? Why is this important?
- 3. These verses are usually called "The Great Commission." What does that mean, specifically?
- 4. How would you summarize verse 19 as the first half of the commission?
- 5. How would you summarize verse 20 as the second half of the commission?
- 6. The last sentence of verse 20 is a beautiful promise. Why is it especially important here?
- 7. Write out a paraphrase of "The Great Commission" in your own words to share with the group and to use personally in your own life. Place it where you can see it every day.

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Making It Personal

- 1. Spend some time talking about the new Valley Center campus of Pathway Church. What are your thoughts, concerns, and celebrations regarding the new campus?
- 2. If you live in a more northern area of Wichita or anywhere near Valley Center, will you commit to being part of the launch team?
- 3. God may be nudging many in your group to take a risk and join the Valley Center campus regardless of where they live—will you consider going as well?
- 4. Spend time praying through The Great Commission for those who will become part of the Valley Center launch team. Commit to praying weekly for the Valley Center campus through the end of this calendar year.

Continued Learning

- 1. Pray specifically for Jonathan and Erin Anderson and the leadership of the Valley Center team.
- 2. In the coming week, scan through the book of Acts beginning in chapter 8 through the end of the book. How many churches were started in different locations? What were their core strengths? What challenges did they encounter?
- 3. Plan to attend one of the upcoming Town Hall Meetings to learn more and pray for Pathway Church.

Additional Notes

