SG Discussion Questions

for Personal Study and Small Groups 2/24/13

Matthew 28:18-20 3 Simple Steps to Following the Great Commission

Purpose of SG: to foster in its members the biblical values of worship (God), discipleship (church), and outreach (lost).

2013 Annual Focus: Drawing Near to the Good and Mighty King.

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Focus: to instruct and challenge the church to to follow the Great Commission.

In what ways, did each of you participate in Entermissions this weekend? What were the highlights for you and your family? Why were those so meaningful to you?

Allan mentions 3 simple steps to following the Great Commission. Can anyone tell me all three?

Step 1: By "going"

In what specific ways do you and your family participate in "going?" What trips have you went on, anticipate going on, or are you willing to go? Have you considered sending a text or letter to a missionary as a form of going? What about sending a care package or supporting them financially?

Step 2: By "baptizing"

What connections do you find in the NT between conversion and baptism? Allan mentioned that before they baptize new believers in China they ask them the following questions: (1) Have you accepted Christ as your Savior?, (2) Are you willing to give up you household idols?, (3) Are you willing to share the Gospel with others, (4) If you are hit, persecuted, or threatened to be killed will you still follow Jesus? Discuss the level of commitment these believers are called to compared to your baptism experience.

Step 3: By "teaching"

Share a time when you were able to teach the stories of the Bible to a lost person. What fears do you have in teaching others?

At the end of the sermon, Allan asked the question, "What will your part be?" Spend your remaining time sharing your answer to this question.