DISCUSSION GUIDE FOR MISSIONS SUNDAY – FRED MARKET OCTOBER 10, 2021

Ice Breaker: What is your favorite place that you have traveled to get to? This could be another country, state, or city. Tell your group why you enjoyed that place.

Read together: Genesis 12:2-3

"I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Discuss:

- •God is a God of Blessing. He starts with Himself. "I am a good God. I love you and want you to know me." This is His heart for all mankind. The "Good News" is the nature and character of God himself. Are these statements different from how you have perceived God?
- Fred Stated that when we correct the view of God, that will lead people to God. Share with your group how you view God.

Read Together: Romans 5:6-8 and Acts 3:26

Discuss:

- Who did Christ die for?
- When God raised Jesus up. He sent Him to ______ the nations with salvation.
- How does this statement line up with your view of God? "80% of Gods commands are stated in the Positive. Many of the 20% negative commands are 'do not fear'". How does this bring some correction to your view of God?

Read Together: John 14:9 and Matthew 11:5

Discuss:

- When we share the Gospel, what are some of the results?
- Fred share that the Highest quality of life is proven to be in countries that have embraced the Gospel. Was that a surprise to you?

- Our country has one of the largest obligations to reach the nations. We have been SO blessed to be a blessing. Fred stated that we need 200.000 new young missionaries. Are you one of those that is being called?
- If you are not personally feeling a call to missions, is there someone you can empower, support or encourage to embrace the call of missions?
- Have you ever held someone back from moving toward a life of missions? Think about why and ask God to help you champion that call instead of fearing or despising the call.

Read Together: Matthew 16:1-4

Discuss:

- Jesus told the religious leaders that they were not able to interpret the signs of the times. What are you seeing as the signs of the times?
 - How can you be part of winning people to Jesus?
 - How can you be part of equipping the Church?
 - God's purpose is for ALL to know Him...what is your part in making that happen?
- 42% of the world has not heard about the Goodness of God and the Sacrifice Jesus made for them on the Cross.

Read Together: Galatians 6:9

Discuss:

• How can we keep from growing weary?

Pray together:

Father, we want to be part of your great plan. We want ALL people to know you and your goodness and blessing. Forgive us for not always recognizing that you are GOOD. Please show us your heart and your hope. Help us to do our part to reach the world with your Goodness and Blessing. Please reveal to us our part. Help us not to fear what you ask us to do. Send people to us for us to bless and encourage. Reveal yourself to us and through us so that the world around us will be drawn to you. We want to lift Jesus higher so that world can see Him and be drawn to Him. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

Resource Links: <u>www.gapmovement.com</u> <u>www.ywamascend.com</u>