



SDG Discussion Guide

Colossians 2:4-5

August 30, 2020

Guideline:

Before you begin your discussion and reading of Scripture, pray. Ask God to enlighten you, to show you where he has been at work and present in your past week through moments and people. Ask Him to guide and enliven your group in your readings and discussion.

Next, as you can in your group, read aloud and slowly **Colossians 2:4-5**. As you can take turns and read aloud these verses again, even three times, each time from a different bible translation.

For starters:

Growing up, how would you describe the discipline in your home -- what do you remember along this line?

Have you ever made a decision based on a fine-sounding argument and if so, what happened?

See the following questions that may assist you in your discussion of the Scripture text.

1. What is a key point or take away that stayed with you from the sermon this past Sunday, August 30, "I Am with You in Spirit"?
2. Why does Paul show concern to those he does not personally know? How can this help you better show encouragement to believers you don't yet know? How would this benefit you and the church?
3. Romans 8:1 states, "There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Ponder and discuss. What encourages you? What challenges you?
4. What do you see people struggling with now in terms of discipline and steadfastness in their faith in Christ?
5. What can you personally be reminded about and do, while we are absent from each other in body, to remain spiritually fortified going forward into September 2020?
6. Why do we as Christians, saved by Christ and indwelt by the Holy Spirit, still need the love and support of one another to get us through life and ministry endeavors? What does your church community need to do to prompt and promote this love and support for more significant impact?
7. In what ways has the discussion led you now to pray?

Prayer:

Jesus, you remain the all supreme and all-sufficient source of our faith and life. Grant us renewed and increased assurance, perseverance, and encouragement going forward into this next month and beyond. Help us to help others in Christ. AMEN.