

Week of November 5
Reach One More¹

Overview:

For many years, God has called CCC to be on the front lines of making disciples, reaching the lost in Omaha, and supporting God's mission to bring the best news ever to the least-reached people. When each person decides to reach one more in their neighborhood, school, or workplace, the kingdom multiplies. And when we give to **reach one more** across Omaha and around the world, that growth is exponential and lasts for generations.

Group Objectives:

Relationships and Life Transformation are the primary purposes of community groups.

- Reflect on this past Sunday's message and other devotional reading.
- Pray together and provide encouragement for other group members.
- Pray about how God might be calling your group to support one or more of our missionaries.

DNA statement(s) tie-in:

- We are On Mission to Reach One More. Every person matters to God, so every person matters to us. God invites every one of us to join him in his great mission to reach one more one more coworker, neighbor, family member, and friend.
- We Bring the Best News Ever to the Least-Reached People. It is our privilege to take the
 gospel around the world. We focus on the hardest places in the world where all the odds are
 stacked against us.

Conversation Starters:

- What stood out to you from this week's sermon?
- What is the most exciting place you've ever lived or visited? What was so exciting about it?

Listening to God

Where did you experience God last week? How were you able to join God on mission?

Learning from God's Word: Bible Study Discussion

Lost and hurting people matter to God. For those of us already connected at CCC, our relationships in community groups and opportunities to serve together have blessed us with belonging in the family of God. But others don't yet know the blessing of following Jesus or the benefit of community. We are uniquely positioned with influence and resources to reach people at CCC, in Omaha, and in the hardest-to-reach places on the planet. God invites us to join his mission in inviting others to join us.

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Read the following passages from the book of Acts: 1:8, 6:7, 9:31, 12:24, 16:5, 19:20, 28:16, 28:30-31.

- What stood out to you from these verses as we read them?
- What do you notice about the effects and movement of the gospel?
- What do you think Luke, the author of Acts, wants us to understand from these passages?

Read Romans 10:11-17:

According to Acts 28:31, Paul preached the gospel "with all boldness" or "with confidence and openness."

- Based on the Romans passage, what convictions did Paul have that fueled his boldness?
- What are some ways you can support the "sending" of ministers?
- When have you experienced being "sent" with good news?

Read 2 Corinthians 11:23-28:

• What challenges did Paul have as a messenger of the gospel?

Yet Acts 28:31 also states that Paul preached "without hindrance."

• Why do you think these "challenges" didn't stop Paul or the message he was preaching?

Reach One More Practice:

- Go to https://cmalliance.org/pray/. Choose one of the prayer requests listed and take a few minutes to pray for a certain area of the world. Consider doing this every day this week.
- What are some potential obstacles or hindrances for reaching people in Omaha with the gospel of Jesus? How about in the hardest-to-reach places?
- How will you and your group continue the story of God and his mission based on how the book of Acts ends?
- What are you learning about yourself in this season? What are you learning about God?

Prayer Prompts:

- Invite members of the group to share requests.
- Allow time for silent reflection on the following prompts.
 - o How is the Holy Spirit calling you to deepen conversations with a non-believer this week?

For further study:

- For more about the Reach One More initiative, see www.reachonemore.cccomaha.org
- For practical ideas you can implement as you reach one more, see https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLzdVE7HNsqM-FEzli5Etuzj379W7kUsxO
- Bible Project videos: The Luke-Acts series.
 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_OLezoUvOEQ&list=PLH0Szn1yYNec6O3ZOZzAMb2WW2abJwzZ
- Louis Giglio, Acts, online video lessons at Right Now Media, https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/content/details/499781
- Read Acts 19:21-28:31. What do you notice about Paul and how God used him?