



Week of October 22
Reach One More

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 purpose of community groups.

- Reflect on this past Sunday's message and other devotional reading.
- Pray together and provide encouragement for other group members.
- Identify one specific person in your circle of influence that does not yet follow Jesus.

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 friends.
- ***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?
- Share about a faith-filled risk that you or someone you know took, and how that risk impacted your (their) faith walk.

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.

Read Acts 2:42-47

- What stood out to you from these verses as we read them?
- When we talk about “doing life together,” one danger is that we would focus so much on *going deep* with just a few friends that we forget to reach out to new people.
 - What is one thing your group can do to remain open and welcoming to non-believers (and others) who need to find community?
- This passage mentions believers “having everything in common” and selling property so they could “give to anyone who had need.”
 - Who do you know *outside* of your faith community that has physical needs – right now – that you could meet?
 - How might your group bless them and provide for those physical needs as a way of communicating the love of Jesus to them?
- Verse 43 mentions how they were “filled with awe” at the amazing things God did through the apostles. Share a story of something God did **in your life** that you found amazing.
 - Think of someone you know who doesn’t yet follow Jesus. How might you share this story with them to demonstrate God’s amazing power?
- Read this passage from Romans 10 aloud:
 - ^{13b} “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”*
 - ¹⁴ How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in?
And how can they believe in the one whom they have not heard?
And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?*
 - ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent?
As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”*
- Acts 2:47 says “the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” With the Romans passage in mind, how is God calling you to “bring good news” to others?

Reach One More Practice:

The Primary Goal of the Reach One More Initiative is 100% engagement.

- This week, identify one specific person in your circle of influence that does not yet follow Jesus. Who is God inviting you to reach with the love and hope of Jesus?
- How do you sense God calling you to respond to these passages?

Prayer Prompts:

- Invite members of the group to share requests.
- Allow time for silent reflection on the following prompts.
 - *How will you step out of your comfort zone to take a faith-filled risk?*
 - *How will you express your gratitude for what God has already done for you?*

For further study:

- *The Art of Neighboring* by Pathak and Runyon
- *Surprise the World* by Michael Frost
- Bible Project videos:
 - <https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/generosity/>
 - <https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/gospel-kingdom/>
- 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>