

THE GREAT COMMISSION: Small Group Notes

Introduction

We believe God wants to help us to recalibrate to a Great Commission mindset this term. We want to ask Him to transform us into effective witnesses who are filled with boldness to share the love of Jesus with others and make disciples. Our Sunday preaching will be devoted to this, as will most of our small group meetings.

There will be ten studies in this series for your small group to work through between now and Christmas. These studies are designed to complement rather than follow the Sunday sermons exactly. This flexible approach gives you the freedom to take the series at a pace that is right for your group, with occasional evenings for prayer & worship, social activities, or mission nights, as you see fit. We encourage you to complete the ten studies by the time your group pauses for Christmas.

The discussion notes are intentionally a bit shorter to allow plenty of time for:

- Prayer about the topic (as well as other needs in the group!)
- Opportunities to practise what we're discussing with other small group members
- Explaining the 'Great Commission challenge' for group members to do during the week. This is a vitally important part of this series as we believe the Holy Spirit will empower us as we step out in faith and action.
- Feedback on how we got on during the week with the challenge.

Bible passages are given to allow you to dig into the Scriptures. Please try and read all the passages, but please don't feel limited by the questions.

Each study starts by clarifying the "main message". This is to help the leader steer the conversation.

Notes in italics give some additional guidance for the person leading the discussion. These are not intended as the "correct" answers to be read out, but rather ideas and tips. We hope they're helpful for you as you lead.

Series overview

Studies 1-2: Prayer and Gospel

Studies 3-6: Witness with Holy Spirit's power

Studies 7-10: How we gradually make disciples.

Feedback

Please do let us know how you and your small group are getting on with these notes this term. You can chat with Chris or drop him an email: chris@kingschurchedinburgh.org.

We are praying that God will use the time we spend in small groups this term to empower us to be a Great Commission People.