

MAKE CHURCH GREAT AGAIN

Make Church Great Again - Part 5 Message Discussion Questions

Introduction:

This week with Part 5, Matt concludes our series called 'Make Church Great Again'. This hasn't been a political series, but a series about change, the change the world needs, and the change that we need. But where does that change come from?

The church is the change the world's been waiting for. We're not waiting for change; we're not voting for change; no, we are the change. How can you be the change that the world needs? The Bible says we're the Salt of the Earth, we're the Light of the World. The question is, what does that look like in your life?

Questions:

1. What does Matt mean when he talks about being a 'Lazy Boy Christian'? Have you become too comfortable as a Christian? What could be wrong with being a comfortable Christian? Mark 16:15
2. What does it mean for you to be Comfortably Uncomfortable? Has it become easy for you to forget that God has called you to make a difference in the world? Are you willing to be uncomfortable? Matthew 28:19
3. If as a Christian 'You are the light of the world', what purpose does light serve apart from the darkness? Where does that mean you are to go and shine? What is required for you to shine? Matthew 5:14

4. As you think about your role as a change agent in the world, does it help to know that 'we're God's plan A for this world and there is no plan B'? Is that frightening or overwhelming?
5. What did you think Jesus would make you into when you started following Him (make you a _____), a fisher of men? Are you obsessed with fishing? If you're not fishing are you really even following? What could 'fishing' look like in your life? Mark 1:16-17
6. Why is it important that you receive dunimos (power - dynamite) when the Holy Spirit comes upon you? How can that provide the power you need to go fishing 'to the ends of the earth'? Acts 1:8
7. Do you know that as a Christian you've been called to be a witness? What does it mean to be a witness? What was your life like B.C (before Christ), and what is your life like now that you are a Christian? What's your life like before and after? Can your personal experience of what Jesus has done in your life help you to be a change agent in someone else's life? Are you ready to go fishing? Acts 1:8

Key Takeaway: When was the last time you went fishing? When was the last time you prayed and asked God to bring someone across your path that you could share your faith with? When was the last time you looked for an opportunity to go fishing? When was the last time you were a witness for Jesus? You see the church is the change that the world has been waiting for. But in order for us to make a difference we've got to be willing to become Comfortably Uncomfortable. And we've got to decide that we're going to get in the game and start fishing. Jesus said, Come, Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.

Summary:

- Don't be a Lazy Boy Christian
- Comfortably uncomfortable
- Light serves no purpose apart from the darkness
- We're God's plan A for this world and there is no plan B
- You're not really following if you're not fishing
- The Holy Spirit provides power (duminos - dynomite)
- Witnesses share from personal experience