

Family sermon guide
January 16, 2022

Hello Church family,

I hope you were blessed by your time of worship with us *in person and online*.

As we start the new year, we are focusing on God's work. We know God is at work in us, through us, for us and around us. We see this truth over and over again in God's Word and in our lives and relationships. As we see God at work, we are encouraged to join God in His work. This is what God wants for us because His work is best.

I hope you enjoy your time of discussion and study.

Discussion questions:

1. Name one way you saw God at work in your life this past week?
2. I shared about the essence of faith which is trust, the expression of faith which is obedience and the effect of faith which is blessing. Share briefly about these 3 truths and how you see them at work in your life and relationships.
3. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Faith is taking the first step even when you can't see the whole staircase." Share what this means to you in regards to your faith in Jesus.
4. God is at work in us, for us, through us and around us. It is comforting, encouraging, humbling, challenging and exciting to know God is at work. Which one of these responses is most meaningful to you right now? Why?
5. We discussed how we see God at work as we make 4 commitments found in the Great Commission: be biblical, be relational, be missional and be confident.
 - a. How does God encourage you through these 4 commitments?
 - b. What is your greatest challenges to making these 4 commitments?
 - c. Which commitment is the most difficult one for you to make?
 - d. Discuss the importance and blessing of Giving, Growing and Going
6. Spend time praying with and for one another. Ask God to help you live in unity with Him and your brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus.