

Move the Chains

February 10 - February 17

This sermon study is designed to be used the week after the sermon it supplements. Use the left side of this sheet to prepare for your group time. Use the right side to facilitate your group discussion. The purpose of this guide is to help your group, collectively and individually, grow closer to Jesus.

INTENTIONAL LEADERSHIP

- Pray that the members of your group will be obedient to the way God wants to "move the chains" in their lives.
- Evaluate where your group members are on their spiritual journey. Identify the next step towards growth that you can help them take.
- Choose a part of your life group time this week (perhaps prayer) that you can hand-off to a person you see leading a group one day. Text them before your group meets to let them know you will be asking for their help!

RELATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

- Try to text or call each person in your group this week to see how you can pray for them.
- Weekly Leader Tip: Lean into follow-up questions when someone in your group shares.
 Extending an invitation to explore a response a bit more is often extremely impactful in your group member really "getting it."
- Start your time with a conversation about highs and lows from the week.

PLANNED SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE

Consider using one of your upcoming life group meetings as a time to pray **prophetic prayers** over one another, and spend time calling out the giftedness in each other. Life group is the perfect place to be lifted up and challenged to see how God wants to use us.

SERIES RECAP

During this series we are being challenged to "move the ball down the field" as a church. At Compass, our mission is to lead people to find and follow Jesus. Though our dreams as a church don't come true overnight, we all have a part in taking ground for the kingdom. Daily, we should have obedience, boldness, and a listening ear to God's lead.

SERMON SUMMARY

Many things can hold us back from sharing our faith and inviting others to hear and believe the Gospel. Whether it is fear, prejudice, discomfort, or just being too busy, genuine Christ-followers must break through and welcome people into the kingdom of God at every opportunity! By faith, we can invite others to accept the invitation Jesus has given *every person*, not just those that we feel love towards.

BIBLICAL FOUNDATION

Have someone in your group read Acts 10.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. How did Peter's understanding of God change by a vision?
- 2. Peter experienced many barriers witnessing to others in his time. What is holding people back from minstering to others today?
- 3. What would happen if you had a change of heart towards those you have neglected to invite into the kingdom?
- 4. How would our church look if we broke through our personal barriers and extended an invitation into God's kingdom?
- 5. How do you think God is asking you to respond to the message this week?