



"STILL WORKS" - All You Need is Love (Matthew 25:31-46) October 12, 2014 - TABLE GROUP GUIDE

Begin by reading the devotion inside the bulletin. This is also posted online on facebook.com/fccetown and at fccetown.com/media.php under the sermon video.

Looking Back

- 1) During this past week, where have you seen God's hand at work in or around you?
- 2) What is the greatest encouragement or challenge you have experienced this week?

If you were unable to attend worship on Sunday, please go to fccetown.com and watch Sunday's sermon prior to meeting with your weekly table group.

We have made a point of making service a priority to the lifeblood of First Christian Church. Whether in the form of short-term mission trips, Life Group Service Projects or Community Service Sunday, the activity of sharing and giving of your time or energy and resources means something to the life of a follower of Christ. There's no doubt that service is something that shares value for those served and those serving, but there is a greater value found in the ability to share the love of Christ through these actions. When that love is shown and shared, Christ is alive in the life of those He seeks to reach.

Digging Deeper What small prize or award from the past have you kept because it was special to you? Read Matthew 26:31-46 From this parable, on what basis are people divided into sheep and goats? □ their beliefs □ their actions □ their character □ their treatment of others List the six actions Jesus will use as the basis of judgment. What kinds of acts are these? For whom are they done now and ultimately (v. 40)? How are those who don't do the acts and those who do them similar? Different? What does this passage teach about Christian responsibility? Name one person who has always been there for you when you needed them? Tell how they have been there for you. What kind of people do you have the most compassion for? □ homeless □ sick/disabled □ lonely □ elderly □ starving □ prisoners □ other: _____ What opportunities are available for you to serve the ones you have compassion for? What is one thing you and/or your group can do this week to show compassion? Moving Forward

Considering this week's teaching and group discussion, what can your table group do or pray for you?

If you would like to talk with a minister, please call (270) 765-4994 to set up an appointment or contact:

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What are the purposes of a table group? To dig deeper into the Biblical principle(s) presented each Sunday morning during the FCC worship hour, to connect and share with other group members and to support one another as we strive to live out each week's teaching.

What does a table group do? A group discussion guide will be provided in the bulletin each Sunday and will be available on the FCC Facebook page by noon on Monday. The discussion guide will focus the group and challenge each participant to action.

Who establishes and makes up a table group?

- 1. Husband & Wife
- 2. Family
- 3. 2-5 Guys
- 4. 2-5 Ladies
- 5. 2-5 Couples

Where do they meet?

- 1. Kitchen table
- 2. Coffee table
- 3. Cafe table
- 4. Restaurant table
- 5. Picnic table
- 6. Work table
- 7. Round table

How often do they meet? Weekly (day and time is decided by the group)

How long should the weekly meeting last? Varies (decided by the group)

Who leads a table group? Leadership can be shared or a leader can be chosen by the group.

How long does the group stay together? The group should commit to stay together 6-8 weeks. Groups can renew their commitment to meet together for another season (6-8 weeks).

Is a table group an official FCC group? Table groups are not organized by FCC but are provided as opportunities for individuals to connect and become better followers of Jesus. FCC would like to know how this opportunity is being utilized. When your group establishes a place, time, and participants, please report to Doug Mitchell at (270) 765-4994 or doug@fccetown.com.

Can an individual be a part of more than one table group? Yes, but our goal is that every individual attending a worship service be a part of at least one table group.

What happens if the group is too big to meet around a table? No table group should have more than 10 individuals. If a group grows to have more than 10 participants, there are two options:

- 1) Multiply into separate tables (groups of less than 10). Or
- 2) Seek to establish a life group (10-20 participants). To establish a life group, contact Doug Mitchell at (270) 765-4994 or doug@fccetown.com.