



FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE



DATE: October 19, 2025
SPEAKER: Patrick Mostek

TITLE: The Sign of Jonah
SCRIPTURE: Matthew 16:1-12

OPENING PRAYER

ICE BREAKER: SHARE AN INNOCENT TIME IN YOUR LIFE WHERE YOU MISSED SOMETHING THAT WAS INCREDIBLY OBVIOUS TO EVERYONE ELSE BUT YOU.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read the scripture for today

1. What is unbelief in your own words?
2. How does unbelief relate to authority?
3. What was the "sign of Jonah" and how was it a judgement against the Pharisees?
4. How is familiarity with Jesus dangerous?
5. What is the leaven that Jesus warns the disciples to watch out for? Why?
6. What are some things that can promote unbelief? How do they cloud your vision?
7. What are some of the consequences of unbelief?
8. What are some ways God has given to strengthen your faith?
9. How important in the life of a Christian is it to guard your heart from unbelief?

APPLICATION

1. What is your nagging unanswered question?
2. What did you want to hear that you didn't hear from the message?
3. How can we get to know God as He is and not in the limited way we do now?
4. Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion. Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life? What does God want you to know or do?
5. What's one thing from this text that you could say to a believer/unbeliever about who God is?

PRAYER

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs and for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

SHEPHERDING

Check the roster and see who is not there. Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be met by the group? Specific prayer requests? Ask for someone to reach out and say, "We missed you."

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE FOR OCTOBER:

Acts 4:12 -

And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

REMINDERS

Small Group Checklist

- We suggest you serve 1x every six weeks or so. Discuss ideas.
- Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!!
- Discuss childcare, if needed.
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.

Go through the Announcements in the Bulletin together to see what is coming up at FCC and how you can get plugged in! Here are a couple of those things - all registrations can be found online! www.fccnr.org

-SERVICE OPPORTUNITY - FCC YOUTH GROUP

Our food team is working hard to serve the 120+ kids at youth group! We are looking for some willing hands to come and help serve the meal and clean up afterwards. Please sign up online!

PRAYER FIRST WEEKEND

Join us October 25 & 26th for dedicated time to learn about prayer with Dana Olson! More information and registration can be found online!

TRUNK OR TREAT

Check out the signup online for an opportunity to help donate items or serve at our biggest outreach event at FCC! Wednesday - October 29th from 6-8pm!