

Middle School Discussion Guide

Light of the World: For the week of July 31 - August 6, 2022

Main Thought:

Each of us is here to make a difference in the world to let our light shine for Jesus so that others may see the light of Christ in us as he works through us. Making a difference starts small as we begin serving others right where we are. The great commission of Jesus reminds us that this is God's heart for his people that choose to have a relationship with Him. For us as students, we are called to make a difference on the school campus that God has placed us on.

"Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. ⁹Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. ¹¹If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ." (1 Peter 4:8-11 NIV)

- How are you a blessing to others around you?
- What is an area that you need to improve when it comes to serving others?

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. ⁵In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! ⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (Philippians 2:3-11 NIV)

- God has called us to humbly serve others. On a scale of 1-10, how well are you serving others? Explain why you gave yourself that score.
- Who is one person that you can serve at school and possibly share your faith with?

Prayer:

- Pray that we will make a difference on our school campus this fall.
- Pray that God will bring a revival of faith to our Middle School generation!
- Pray for one person by name who you will serve on your campus this fall.