

## Invasion I Love My Church

### Week 2

**Our mission is:** To lead people to become fully devoted followers of Christ.

- Have you been able to carry out this mission in your life? If so, give some specific examples.

*The LORD is faithful to all his promises and loving toward all he has made. The LORD upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down...The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving toward all he has made. The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth...he hears their cry and saves them. The LORD watches over all who love him...*

**Psalm 145:13-14, 17-20 (NIV)**

- How has God demonstrated His love to you in your life?
- This scripture tells us that God upholds those who fall. Describe a time when God lifted you up when it felt like you had fallen.

*For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

**Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)**

- How have you seen God's workmanship operating in your own life?

*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you...*

**Matthew 28: 19-20 (NIV)**

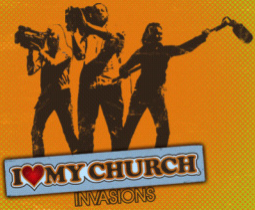
- What do you think this passage means "to make disciples?" In what ways can you be part of making disciples in your daily life?

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword... No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

**Romans 8:35, 37-39 (NIV)**

- This scripture tells us that hardships and persecutions cannot separate us from Christ's love. What have you learned about Christ through the hardships you have faced in your life?

**Final thought:** With your group pray and thank God for things he has taught you during the hardships in your life. Pray for those in your group that are currently enduring hardships. Finally, pray that God will give you opportunities individually and as a group to go and make disciples of others.



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### Week 1

#### For Further Study

To use this resource, simply select one or two questions from each category below that you think will help your group discussion. Alternatively, you can use these questions and Scriptures in your own personal devotions during the week.

#### Open

- What comes to your mind when you hear the words missionary or evangelism? How can you be a missionary in your daily life?

#### Explore

##### Read Matthew 28: 16-20

- Who went to Galilee? When? (28:16)
- Where did the disciples gather? Why? (28:16)
- Why did the disciples assemble on the specific mountain they chose? (28:16)
- What were the responses when Jesus appeared? (28:17)
- What did Jesus say about Himself? (28:18)
- Where did Jesus tell His disciples to go? (28:19)

- What did Jesus tell His disciples to make? (28:19)
- What activities were the disciples to be involved in? (28:19-20)
- How did Jesus comfort his disciples just before he left? (28:20)

#### Reflect

- Why do you think some of the disciples doubted even when they saw Christ?
- What often causes Christians to doubt God today?
- How do you think you might have reacted to the appearance of the risen Christ?
- What role do you have in making disciples?
- How can knowing that Jesus is always with us make a difference in our daily lives?
- What specific teaching of Christ do you need to focus on more consistently?

#### Apply

- What specific things can you do this week that will allow you to become more effective in making disciples?