Bible Class Discussion Guide

Following the Way – Week 8

Rooted and Growing (Acts 2:47; Acts 4:32–33; Matthew 28:18–20; Colossians 2:6–7)

Icebreaker Question

We heard some interviews today from interns as well as members of mission teams. Was there something one of them said that stuck with you?

Scripture Reading Prompt

This week, we concluded our journey through Acts 2 by focusing on how the early church didn't just start strong—they kept growing. Their growth wasn't just numerical; it was rooted in Jesus, shaped by grace, and multiplied through boldness and love.

Read Acts 2:47 and Colossians 2:6-7

- What do you notice about the kind of growth these verses describe?
- How do you see both deep roots and outward movement in these descriptions?

1. Rooted in Jesus

Read Matthew 28:18-20 and John 15:4-5

- What stands out to you in this commissioning?
- What might it look like to live in a way that draws strength and direction from Jesus' presence and authority?
- Why do you think spiritual growth depends on this kind of foundation?
- Where are your roots drawing nourishment from this season?

2. Growing in Boldness and Grace

Read Acts 4:32-33

The early church didn't just believe the resurrection—they lived like it changed everything.

- How would you describe the faith of the early church based on these verses?
- What's the relationship between grace and spiritual growth?
- How do you think a person's faith becomes visible in daily life or relationships?
- In what ways can grace become visible in a church community today?

3. Multiplying What Matters

Reflect on Colossians 2:6-7 again and read Galatians 5:22-23

- What kind of fruit should spiritual growth produce?
- How is multiplication in the kingdom different from success in the world's eyes?
- What qualities do you think make a church worth multiplying?
- How does multiplication happen through everyday acts of faithfulness?

Reflection and Application

- In what ways are you currently experiencing being rooted in Christ, growing in grace, and multiplying His love?
- Where are you sensing growth right now? Where might God be inviting you to grow deeper or step outward?
- How can this group support one another in staying grounded in Christ and growing in grace?