



Lake Forest Church Sermon Discussions

Series: Make a Difference

Part 2

Pray for the time of study.

INTRODUCE IT

Share with the group what impact the sermons in this series have made in your heart thus far. Also, share with one another the names of people that have made a difference in your life (good and bad) and what difference they have made. Tell their name and why they have made a difference in your life.

STUDY IT

Read Exodus 17:8-13

Who are all the characters in this story and what difference did they make in the battle against the Amalekites?

In our culture, who in this story would have received all the credit for making a difference and why?

Read Matthew 6:1-15

Who are all the characters in this story and what difference did they make in feeding the 5000? In our culture, who in this story gets all the credit for making a difference in the lives of 5000 people and why?

Read Colossians 4:7-15

Who are all the people that Paul list in this letter and what is the difference he says they are making?

In our culture, which of these people would get credit for making a difference in the early church?

After reading all of these stories, what do each of them have in common? Which of the characters do you resonate with the most?

Look at each of the characters listed throughout all of the stories. How many of them do you think did the things they did because they knew one day they would become famous for doing it? Why did they do the things they did?

USE IT

The word disciple in the Bible can be translated as, "one that is obedient to the things of God." It does not mean "one that knows all the ways of God and is obedient to all those things." It means to

simply be obedient to what you know God is calling you to. How has God provoked you in this series to make a difference?

What steps do you need to take next to be "obedient" to the big and small things that God is calling you to? Who do you need to encourage? Pray for? Assist? Serve beside? Hold up their arms? Fight battles with? Give the resources (small or big) to so Jesus can feed others with them? Ask the Lord to give you courage to make a difference even in small things this week.