



Reviewing the Sunday Message: rGroup Guide

“THE PURSUIT: PASS THE BATON”

Pastor Miles McPherson - February 17, 2019 - Numbers 27:17-21

A Do Something Disciple - A person with a disciplined pursuit of the heart of the Father, a heart being perfected in love for God and people.

H – Holiness **E** – Evangelism **A** – Appreciation **R** – Relationships **T**– Thoughts

Recite the Do Something Disciple Prayer

“As a Do Something Disciple, I am in a disciplined pursuit for the heart of The Father, a heart that is being perfected in love for God and people.”

Father give me a heart that:

- Desperately seeks face-to-face intimacy with You.
- Faithfully avoids that which displeases You.
- Humbly embraces a Kingdom Mindset.
- Values making disciples that make disciples.

Jesus, create in me a heart that:

- Values being guided by the Word of God.
- Gratefully grows in generosity.
- Nurtures a burden for lost people.
- Demonstrates a commitment to a Spirit-filled expression of my gifts.

Holy Spirit develop a heart in me that:

- Gracefully gives and receives forgiveness.
- Passionately worships God.
- Is dependent on the power of prayer.
- Serves with Humility.

Father, knit my heart with Yours. Fill my heart with Your passions, motivations and desires. In Jesus Name, amen.”

Sermon Application:

On Sunday, Pastor Miles gave a sermon about the importance of “Passing the Baton.” The themes of this message included the following prayers:

- Father, give me a heart that wants to TRAIN a warrior for battle.
- Jesus, create in me a heart that wants to see my passion for God EXPRESSED in someone else.
- Holy Spirit, develop a heart in me that desires to see someone else FINISH my race.

Sermon Application Prayer: ASK God for His heart:

- **A**ssess the condition of your heart. *Our heart changes moment-to-moment.*
- **S**earch Scripture for the conviction of God's heart. *God's conviction is consistent.*
- **K**nit your heart with God. *A deliberate and constant surrender.*

Weekly Memory Verse: Numbers 30:2 (NKJV) *"If a man makes a vow to the LORD, or swears an oath to bind himself by some agreement, he shall not break his word; he shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth."*

Monthly Memory Verse: Leviticus 20:7 (NKJV) *"Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am the LORD your God."*

Pastor Miles gave the example of people passing the baton in a race for the purpose of getting the baton over the finish line. He focused on the discipleship relationship between Moses and Joshua. Joshua eventually took over Moses's role as the leader of the people of Israel. In a sense, Moses was a disciple maker who was fulfilling the mission that God gave him.

The challenge for us today is that many followers of Jesus are not in a discipleship relationship. It is essential for all followers of Jesus Christ to "pass the baton" by being in a discipleship relationship. This means that all of Jesus Christ's disciples should either be discipling others who will one day make future disciples; or should be in a discipleship group to be equipped to one day reproduce their lives to make disciples. It is so important to "pass the baton" by discipling people who make disciples that reproduce the Person and Purpose of Jesus Christ. This is our Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20).

Read Numbers 27:17-21. Discuss the following questions in your rGroup:

For an overview of the book of Numbers please visit: <https://thebibleproject.com/explore/numbers/>

How is your heart?

Question: Who in your life that could you disciple, and that they will in turn make disciples?

How are you pursuing God's HEART?

- 1.) Have you ever been in a discipleship relationship? What was it like?
- 2.) From Numbers 27:17-21 we see God directing Moses to put Joshua in leadership to serve the people of Israel. Are you being disciplined in order that you will also make future disciples?
- 3.) When and with whom will you "pass the baton" to be in a discipleship relationship?

NEXT STEPS: Lead a dGroup today. Text DISCIPLE to 52525 to register your dGroup.

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