

APPRENTICE TO LEADER

Session 2: Risk for the Kingdom – Faith

Regularly step out in faith. Step out of your comfort zones and put yourself in situations where you have to trust God. "Ambitious people take on more than what they are capable of doing; in doing this they experience the power and grace of God". –Brian Sanders

CAN YOU SEE IT?

(Take 10 minutes)

John 4:35- "I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are Ripe for the harvest." Can you see it? Can you see Jesus reigning in every inch of campus? Can you see every people group on campus worshipping Him? Can you see small groups in every building on campus? Can you see your friends and classmates studying God's Word more than they study for their classes? These are the things Jesus desires for our campus! And he tells us "Open your eyes! The fields are ripe!"

Picture in your head what it would be like to lead a small group community on campus. Write down below what you see:

- Where are you? Who is there? What is happening?

- What excites you about this picture? What scares you?

- Now imagine Jesus leading your same community. What is different? How do your feelings change?

We need to see our future small group community through the eyes of Jesus. For our small group to succeed we need Jesus to be the one that leads it. We need our eyes opened to be able to see our campus as Jesus does. Jesus declares that "the harvest is ripe", lets ask Him to show us just how ripe the harvest is on our campus.

PRAYING "RISKY" PRAYERS

(20 minutes on your own)

Faith and prayer are deeply connected. We pray as if everything depends on God, then we act in faith, knowing God will use us to answer our prayers. Go back to the same places you went last week but this time pray as you go. Take this paper with you and write down anything that the Lord reveals to you. PRAY BOLDLY, AS IF EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON GOD! There are specific things to pray for listed below. As you walk, if you see someone you know and they ask what you are doing, tell them you are praying for the campus and ask if they have anything you can pray for. Gather back together afterward.

- Let this be your main prayer, "Jesus, make this place "ripe for the harvest".
- Here are four other things you can pray for as you go (*taken from "start something new"*)
 - o Luke 10:2 – Pray that the Lord would send workers into these places. "The Harvest is plentiful but the workers are few..."
 - o Colossians 4:3 – Pray for open doors for the Word to be shared in creative ways.
 - o Luke 10:6 – Pray for people of peace in these areas. People that you could connect with them to build the community.
 - o 2 Corinthians 4:3-4 – Pray for eyes to be opened. Pray for each person you see, that they would encounter Jesus.

