

WEEK 4: THE PRODUCT OF JESUS

Form Follows Function

Main Theme of the Week: We are the ones that are meant to embody the missionary heart of Jesus. House Churches do that.

DAY 1: CHURCH AS THE BRIDE

Read: Ephesians 5:22-33

Reflect: This text not only applies to marriage, but also to the relationship between the Church (bride) and God (bridegroom). When you read the passage through that lens, what does it say about God? With what you know and have experienced of His character, why is He worth submitting too? What does it say about us (the Church)?

Pray: Spend time reflecting over God's love for the Church and His love for you. Pray praises to God for His character. Worship God through music or Psalms of praise (Psalm 100, 111 or 95).

DAY 2: TAKE UP YOUR CROSS

Read: Matthew 16:24-28

Reflect: What is the cost of following Jesus? What is the "cross" you have to pick up daily? Why is it worth it?

Pray: Pray for humility and obedience to the call on your life as a disciple of Jesus. Surrender anything to the Lord you are holding on to. Ask the Lord to open your eyes and heart to the opportunities around you to spread the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

DAY 3: DOING IT TOGETHER

Read: Luke 10:1-12, Hebrews 10:24-25, Matthew 28:18-20

Reflect: How do we, as a people called together as The Bridge, live out lives on mission(all)? What role does your House Church play (some)? What role do you play (one)?

Pray: Pray for unity of all disciples and those at The Bridge under the Great Commission. Pray for opportunities for you to be on mission in your daily life. Pray for encouragement and perseverance for those in your House Church to be on mission in their own life and together as a House Church.

DAY 4: THE HOUSE CHURCH

Read: Acts 2:42-47

Reflect: Break down the different elements of the gathered life together. How can you celebrate those in your daily life? How do you embody those characteristics when you come together with others for those who follow Jesus? How do you embody these when you are with those who do not follow Jesus?

Pray: Pray that the Lord would stir up awe in you. Pray for a deep desire to gather together in this way. Pray for creativity to celebrate and live out the gathered life in the midst of COVID. Pray for those who are isolated during this time, and connect with someone this week.

Day 5: The Product of Jesus : Take time to watch the teaching for Sunday.

Listen, reflect, and be ready to discuss with your House Church.