

RECAP

In what ways were you able to take on a posture of curiosity this past week? What did you learn?

IDEA 1

Emily began her sermon by sharing about the power of invitation.

**When have you experienced the power of invitation in your own life?
In what ways did it impact you?**

IDEA 2

Jesus surprised his community by inviting unlikely people to be participants on his Kingdom team.

**What surprises you about the people Jesus invites to participate on his Kingdom team?
(e.g. Matthew, Judas, ourselves, anyone else who comes to mind)**

In what ways do we disqualify ourselves or others from participation on his team?

Jesus responded to those who questioned his decision to invite unlikely people to be his disciples by saying - "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.'" (Matt. 9:12-13)

What do you think Jesus meant by that? What can we learn from his response?

SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

Emily shared a picture of an artist's modern-day attempt at depicting the Lord's supper.

(People can view this image on their phones by searching for "Last supper raw spoon" on Google or you can print this page off ahead of time for people to look at)



Take a few minutes to reflect on this picture as house church and consider the following question that Emily posed:

Could it be that in our imaging Jesus, we may be missing part of the example of Christ because there are some of our brothers and sisters in our city and beyond who are being overlooked, underrepresented or unnoticed?

APPLICATION

What did Holy Spirit prompt in you as you reflected on this picture?

Are there any ways that you have overlooked or disqualified others as Kingdom teammates?

Confess these to each other and to God.

End by praying that Holy Spirit would give you eyes to see people who may look, act, or think differently and the courage to extend invitations to them as Kingdom teammates.