



## Week 2: Made to Change the World

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### FACILITATOR'S NOTE:

- ✓ Start your group discussion with the “Check-in” question to help your members reflect back on their week and follow up on last week’s application challenge.
  - ✓ Review the “Big Idea” to help you gain clarity around the heart of this week’s message and focus your group’s discussion towards a clear direction.
  - ✓ Read this week’s scripture passages together and guide your group through the “Discuss” questions to initiate meaningful dialogue around key concepts or insights from this week’s message.
  - ✓ Move your group discussion to a deeper level by leading them through questions in “Apply”. Use discernment to customize these application questions to meet the needs & dynamics of your group.
- NOTE:** You do not have to cover all the questions provided in “Apply”.
- ✓ Connect with God together as a group through this week’s “prayer practice”, which can be in the form of a prayer exercise or some guidance on what to pray for in relation to the message or application.

<b>CHECK-IN</b>	Share with the group about how you “followed Jesus” this week.
<b>BIG IDEA</b>	Our God is not the God of the status quo. First, he shakes us up, and then he uses us to shake the world. That’s always been God’s method. If the world is going to be changed, the church must be changed. If the church is going to be changed then we must be changed because we are the church. Be willing to follow Jesus into the “Harvest Fields.” We are made for this!
<b>DISCUSS</b>	<p><b>Read Matthew 9:35-38 together.</b></p> <p>We will be adopting some questions from a <i>How to Study the Bible</i> online resource to help us to interpret the passage. Supplementary questions follow each of the “big questions” in order to connect them to the sermon message. The beauty of using a set of “big questions” like these is that we can apply them to any Scripture passage. Choose at least one question from each question type.</p> <hr/> <p>1. <b><i>What does this teach me about God?</i></b> What strikes you about Jesus in this passage?</p>

	<p>2. <b>What does this reveal about my sin (or the human condition)?</b> Why do we tend to resist change, or stay complacent (verse 37)?</p> <p>3. <b>How does this point to Christ's redemption?</b> What spiritual truth is implied by verse 38?</p> <p>4. <b>What is the one truth that I need to apply to my life this week?</b> Move to the Apply section.</p>
<p><b>APPLY</b></p> <p>How do we respond to God's teaching in meaningful ways? What might God ask of us in mind, spirit, or actions?</p>	<p>1. Where do you get stuck in the process, and why?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Seeing the crowds</li> <li>b) Feeling compassion</li> <li>c) Knowing their true condition</li> <li>d) Helping through prayer</li> </ul> <p>2. Who are the vulnerable that you see? How does their vulnerability make you feel? How might you be able to help? Are there others who see and feel the way you do? Invite them to join you in helping!</p> <p>3. Is there a vision that God is birthing in your heart? How will you be remembered? How much are you willing to invest?</p>
<p><b>PRAYER PRACTICE</b></p>	<p>Begin your prayer time with Rajesh Richard's words: "Lord, do things we're not used to."</p> <p>Center your group prayer around these questions:  Who knows what God will do <b>in the world</b> once you and I begin to pray?  Who knows what God will do <b>in this church</b> once we begin to pray?  Who knows what God will do <b>in us and through us</b> once we begin to pray?</p>