



Study guide

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Message Title: Vision
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This study guide has been designed for Small Groups in mind, and can be used by individuals as well.

Key Points

Icrebreaker - what was the best thing about your Christmas?

We finished The Story series last week with the epilogue, and Jerimy hinted at our Just One series by asking this: "What would it look like if we actually went out and did one thing for God, one thing that would use your story to impact another... just one?"
Can you think of a time when someone else impacted your life? How?
Is God nudging you to influence someone else now?

1. In his message Sunday, Brian talked about people who don't go to church, because they're bored and feel beaten up or bullied.

Have you had any of those experiences in a church? (Please share carefully; this is not an attempt to bash other churches.)

Have you had any of those experiences here at PCC?

2. Sometimes when people disagree with something in the Bible, they feel "beaten up" by it. What's the difference between feeling convicted and beaten up or bullied?

3. We want to be the kind of church where people are greeted. Greetings can look differently based on age, culture, etc.

How do YOU like to be greeted? (hug, handshake, smile, etc.)

How do you greet your friends?

If a new person came to our church on Sunday, how could we greet them in a way that's comfortable?

How about if they came to our small group next week?

<p>4.</p>	<p>We want to be the kind of church where people experience grace. That doesn't mean that we think all ways of living are good and what God wants; it just means that we accept people regardless of how they are living or have lived. We hope that they will be open to God working in their lives and changing them.</p> <p>How can we extend grace to people even when we disagree with their choices and lifestyles?</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>It can be helpful to remember that we are ALL in need of grace. When have you made a mistake and wanted a friend or family member to extend grace to you?</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Read John 21:15-17 When Jesus said, "do you love me more than these?" What is he referring to (with the word 'these')?</p> <p>Why do you think Jesus asked the question 3 times?</p> <p>Why were Peter's feelings hurt?</p> <p>Jesus refers to sheep/lambs in John 21. Now read Matthew 9:35-38. Jesus looked at the crowd as 'sheep without a shepherd'. Can you see the link between the 2 texts?</p> <p>So, how would you apply Jesus' charge to Peter in John 21 to you, us, and the church?</p> <p>Brian talked about the 'Just One' mission of PCC. Do you know what that is? How are you a part of helping accomplish that mission? Is there anything you feel God is telling you to do differently?</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Be sure to pray for each other!</p>

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