

Welcome to our January 2022 reading plan! We will be pausing our Matthew study to spend some time focusing on the foundations of Antioch. Our founding values are UP, OUT, and IN and we want to spend time in the Word and remind ourselves why those values are important. Before you read each day, meditate on Acts 11:23 , pray for one person to know Christ and pray for one person to grow in Him .

#### Memorization & Meditation:

"When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose" - Acts 11:23

[January 1] Revelation 21:5 | Happy New Year! Spend some time today reflecting on the fact that God is making and ultimately will make all things new.

#### WEEK 1

### Sunday, January 2nd

- [3] Acts 11:19-21 | This is the church we are named after! What stands out to you in this passage?
- [4] Acts 11:22-26 | Why do you think the church at Antioch was the first place the disciples were called Christians, or "little Christs"?
- [5] Acts 13:1-3 | Why is it good for us to respond to the Holy Spirit? What can we do to be more sensitive to His leading?
- [6] Romans 12:1-2 | What do you think it means to renew your mind in Christ Jesus?
- [7] Romans 12:9-21 | Let this passage be true of our church! Is there anything in this passage that challenges you?
- [8] Hebrews 12:1-2 | As we look back this Sunday at the church we take our name from, how does their ancient example encourage you to run hard after Jesus? Look back at Hebrews 11. Are there any other examples from the "Hall of Faith" that spur you to grow in your relationship with Jesus?

### WEEK 2

## Sunday, January 9th

- [10] Psalm 96 | UP is one of our founding values. We want to have hearts oriented UP toward the King of Kings! Let the praises of this Psalm lift your eyes and heart up to the Lord today!
- [11] Psalm 1 | Another way we can orient our hearts UP to God is through reading His Word. How does this Psalm encourage us in that practice? What are the benefits of meditating on and memorizing God's Word?
- [12] Psalm 61:1-4 | Sometimes we look UP to seek help from the Lord when we are in distress. What comes to mind when you read these verses? Is there anything you need to seek the Lord's help for in this season of life?
- [13] 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 | As we have upward focus hearts, we tend to grow in our eternal mindset as well. How does this verse speak to an eternal mindset? What does that really mean?
- [14] Exodus 34:5-8 | What is Moses' response to hearing the Name (or character) of God proclaimed? What should our response be when we consider who our God is?
- [15] Psalm 100 | How have you experienced the faithfulness of the Lord in your walk with Him?

### WEEK 3

# Sunday, January 16th

[17] Acts 11:19-26 | As you read through the story of Antioch one more time, where do you see the value of IN?

- [18] Acts 2:42-47 | This is a beautiful picture of what life can look like in community with other believers. How has being connected with other believers helped you in your walk with God?
- [19] 1 Thessalonians 2:8 | Why do you think it's important to share our lives, our selves, when we share the gospel?
- [20] Hebrews 10:24-25 | How can you encourage the believers around you? Does anyone come to mind when you think about this question?
- [21] Galatians 5:13 | According to this verse, what does it look like to have an outward focused heart?
- [22] Titus 3:14 | What good works are you devoted to?

#### WEEK 4

## Sunday, January 23rd

- [24] Matthew 18:1-6 | What do you think Jesus means when he says "become like children"?
- [25] Matthew 18:7-9 | What are some things you have had to "cut off" to avoid temptation in your walk with Jesus? Is the Holy Spirit calling you to "cut off" anything out of your life currently?
- [26] Matthew 18:10-14 | Is there someone in your life who is far from God? Pray for them today.
- [27] Matthew 18:15-20 | How is Jesus' recommendation for how we handle conflict different that what we see most often in our world today?
- [28] Matthew 18:21-27 | We have been forgiven an extravagant debt! Spend some time praising God for His amazing grace today!
- [29] Matthew 18:28-35 | How can you be different from the wicked servant? How can you show extravagant grace to someone who might need your forgiveness?

### WEEK 5

## Sunday, January 30th

[31] Matthew 19:1-12 | Jesus is always deflecting surface level questions and looking at the condition of our hearts in asking. What is the condition of your heart before the Lord today?

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