



KINGDOM COLORS: BABEL TO PENTECOST

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Life Group Discussion Questions:

1. Read **Matthew 28:19** and **Acts 1:8**. How does Jesus' teaching in **Acts 1** explain and expand upon his Great Commission in **Matthew 28**?
2. Read **John 14:23**. Once we love Christ, what does this verse tell us our "next step" will be? What does this next step mean for diversity?
3. Pastor Brian focused on the Big Idea that "Saying yes to God requires us to intentionally pursue diversity."
 - a. What are some practical steps we can take personally as we say "yes" to God?
 - b. What are some practical steps we can take as a church as we say "yes" to God?
 - c. What would saying "no" to God look like for us personally and as a church?
4. Pastor Brian told us that four realities apply to intentionally pursuing diversity:
 - a. We say "yes" to God. How does Philip say "yes" to God's prompting in **Acts 8:27**?
 - b. Following God's leading means we become more sensitive to the Holy Spirit. Read **Isaiah 53:7-8**. By the Holy Spirit's leading, in what way was this passage that the eunuch was reading the perfect passage for Philip to explain?
 - c. When we pursue God's heart for diversity, we recognize that reaching the world for Christ isn't someone else's calling – it's our calling. Read **Acts 8:1**. What did God permit so that believers in Jerusalem would heed his calling?
 - d. Individual believers' practicing personal evangelism is the main way that the Great Commission will be carried out. Pastor Brian shared some principles for personal evangelism from the account of Philip and the eunuch:
 - (1) Philip obeyed a prompting from God.
 - (2) He used Scripture.
 - (3) He made Jesus the theme when he explained the Scripture.
5. Read **Romans 10:14**. Apply its message to the three areas Pastor Brian said every believer should be focused on to fulfill the Great Commission:
 - a. Personal evangelism in our relationships at home and work.
 - b. Serving our city across racial boundaries.
 - c. Connecting to somewhere in the world to help reach the lost in another culture.

Next Steps: Prayerfully ask God to lead you into a relationship with four new people, people different from yourself in economic status or faith or race or nationality. Pursue God's heart for diversity.

Verse to Remember: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." **Acts 1:8**