

KNOW GOD. GROW IN FAITH. LIVE IT OUT.



SMALL GROUP GUIDE | August 11, 2024

READ

Matthew 16:13-18

INTRO

Mike mentions being surprised at becoming a pastor. Have you ever found yourself in a role or situation you didn't expect? How did it turn out?

DISCUSSION

1. Reflect on Mike's statement that the church is "probably better than you think" and also "probably worse than you think"?
2. Mike mentions that we need each other in the church. Can you share an experience where you've seen the importance of Christian community in your own life or someone else's?
3. Mike suggests that if the church doesn't thrive, nothing else has a chance. Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Why?
4. Mike admits to sometimes thinking God could have come up with a better plan than the church. Have you ever had similar thoughts? What helps you maintain faith that the church is in fact God's "Plan A" ?
5. Mike outlines three practical steps: making worship a priority, joining a group, and finding a way to serve. How would you rate yourself in regards to these three?

PRAY

Pray for each other.

