

Philadelphia: The Faithful Church SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Read Rev3:7-13

How is Jesus described in this passage?

What is this open door that Jesus sets in front of them?

What did Jesus commend this church for?

Knowing that Jesus' return is imminent, what should they do? What should you do?

Pastor Mike used the acronym B.L.E.S.S. as something we can use to remind ourselves how we bless others – what does each letter represent? B.L.E.S.S.

- 1. What are the kinds of prayers we pray for people we want to bless? Break off into threes and come up with 3 things you could pray for people you are wanting to bless. Actually write out a sentence prayer.
- 2. Describe what "active listening" is supposed to be like when you sit with someone for coffee. What are the things we shouldn't do?
- 3. Where does "hospitality" work for you? Is it in your home, at a coffee shop where do you slow down to sit and know someone?
- 4. Tell the story of a time when you knew GOD was calling you to bless someone. How did you know He wanted you to and what did you do?
- 5. What does Mike mean when he says "share the story of how Jesus changed your life"? What does sharing that story look and sound like?
- 6. Break off into threes again and answer this: What's an area you need to grow in? What is GOD's part in that growth and what is your part?

In your groups, pray for the person on your right. If you want some help putting some words together you can read this!

Father, thank you for ______. I pray you would help them to hear You about the people they already know. How can they be a blessing in those relationships? I pray that they would be KNOWN for being a great friend. I pray they would be KNOWN for how loving they are. Please help them and give them wisdom and courage and obedience. Help them to noticeably grow in the area they want to grow in. In Jesus' Name I pray, Amen.