

**Growth Group Discussion Questions
For Our Growth Group- On Line Meetings**

“Why Am I Here?”- Part 3

“...To Tell Your Story”

Week of September 20th, 2020

Summary- Why are you here? Jesus would tell us... that we are here to tell our story! This week we held baptism for those ready to do so and we were reminded of its purpose. To follow Jesus in obedience to His wishes- believe and be baptized. Also, His example as He was baptized before his earthly ministry began. And to follow His Great Commission... Matt. 28:18-20... :Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit...” And, baptism is to stand up & be recognized that you are a believer in Jesus! And there you are telling your story... of what happened to you that made you a Jesus follower! Your story is powerful! Let’s discuss why!

1. What touched you about the Baptism service Sunday at Baycities Lomita?

2. Take 2 minutes & tell us your story of how you found Jesus (or Jesus found you) leading up to your baptism, and something that has happened to you since the day you came to faith in Jesus?

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3. Look together at Acts 1:8, then read & discuss the questions that follow:

Acts 1:8 “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

- a. So, when the Holy Spirit comes upon you- meaning today... when you give your heart to Jesus & become a Believer in Jesus...Discuss what it means to be “His witnesses”?

- b. Discuss how you today could be His witnesses in multiple places (like Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria & to the ends of the earth) as Jesus’ calls us to be? (Hint: could you partner with others to get it done?)

4. We want our story to “**connect**” with other people... discuss the following about your faith story:

a. What about your faith story do you think other people your age will find most interesting?

b. What about your faith story do you think people a little younger than you, will find most interesting?

c. What about your faith story do you think kids would find most interesting to them?

5. We have a story to tell, we're often a little scared to tell it, but given the right situation we can and would tell it to those listening. Read the following passage and discuss how important telling your story can be to non-believers around you?

Rom.10:14 But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?

a. Do any names come to mind as you think on this passage that God has placed in your life or circle who need to hear your faith story?

6. Do you have any unanswered questions or issues you want to ask about from this week's session?