



Westminster Presbyterian Church

Sermon Based Small Group Plan

January 14, 2018

“Inviting Church”

Leading: Pastor Dave Rohde

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:4-7

& Matthew 28: 16-20

Open in Prayer

Fellowship Question: What do you like to do first thing Sunday Morning? Why?

Study Questions for the Sermon and Text:

1. When was a time you experienced incredible hospitality? Where were you? What was done to make you feel welcome?
2. Re-read Jeremiah 29:4-9. What does God instruct the people who are living in exile to do? Why do you think it is important for God’s people to thrive in Babylon, even in the midst of captivity?
3. Reflect on Jeremiah 29:4-9 and where we are today. In what ways do we live in exile now? How can we “seek shalom” for our city?
4. When you hear the word “discipleship,” what comes to mind? According to Matthew 28:16-20, what is involved in “making” disciples? Why is discipleship an essential concept for Christianity?
5. How are discipleship and seeking shalom in our neighborhoods connected to being an inviting church?
6. Take inventory. In your experience, how has WPC done with being inviting? What have we done well? Where can we improve? Should this *still* be a core value of our church?

Prayer:

Pray for those suffering from the flu, or other illnesses and are unable to join us in church. Pray for those affected by the weather on the East Coast.

Leader notes:

We will have a book available shortly for further group discussions and diving into during the Lenten season.