



# SESSION 4 - RADICAL CONTRIBUTING

# SERIES BIG IDEA

Jesus ushered in a radical way of living where we can enjoy God.

### MESSAGE BIG IDEA

Jesus ushered in a radical way of living where we're invited to partner with him in his mission.

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him. He appointed twelve that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons. – Matthew 28:18-20

Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." – Mark 3:13-15

"Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these because I am going to the Father." – John 14:12

#### **ICEBREAKER & OPENING THOUGHT**

- 1. What is one of your favorite television shows?
- 2. Jesus has invited us to be his partners in his upside-down kingdom. What do you think of when you hear the word partner?

#### **BIBLE DISCUSSION**

- 3. Read Mark 3:13-15, Matthew 28:16-20, and John 14:12. What do you notice about Jesus and his disciples in these passages?
- 4. In verse 14 in the Mark passage, the word translated "he appointed" can be understood as "he made" which suggests that Jesus is "creating" a new people of God. What would be radical in Jesus creating a new people?
- 5. How would you put the themes of these two passages into your own words?

### LIFE APPLICATION

- 6. What does it mean for us that Jesus has passed on his authority to his followers and delegated his mission to us?
- 7. The most important way you can help make new disciples is to invest our lives in them. In what ways have you found this to be true?
- 8. Take a few minutes to review the BLESS practices. What kind of experience have you had implementing these practices? Who might you begin praying for now?

## CHALLENGE

This series has been about living a radical upside down as a follower of Jesus. A radical life of Christ-following, meaning we *Celebrate* our relationship with God by surrendering more and more of our lives to him. We also *Connect*, creating a community where everyone belongs. Finally, we *Contribute*, which is about choosing to bless the people God has put into our lives. How have you been challenged to lead a radical life and in what way do you want to grow this year?