

# CHURCH RENEWAL LAB

## SCRIPTURE READING GUIDE...QUARTER 3

### "John (I)"

The **Church Renewal Lab** is a comprehensive church renewal project addressing the culture and missional strategy of local congregations as they seek to become intentional missional congregations that make more and better disciples who transform lives and communities for Christ. The CRL's two-year renewal journey provides multiple tools that assist churches in becoming vibrant missional faith communities that are epicenters of God's redeeming love.

#### Week 1: Jesus' Ministry Begins

- Day 1: John 1:1-19 Q: What was John's mission in vs 7? Is this our mission as well?
- Day 2: John 1:20-34 Q: When we see Jesus in our life, do we testify about what we have seen?
- Day 3: John 1:35-50 Q: Do we follow Jesus with the same eagerness as the disciples?
- Day 4: John 2:1-12 Q: Jesus used this miracle to reveal his glory. What do we do to give God glory?
- Day 5: John 2:13-25 Q: Are there things we do that do not belong in the house of God? Gossip, Judgement, etc?

#### Week 2: Jesus Begins to Define His Mission

- Day 1: John 3:1-21 Q: For what reason did Jesus come to this world? How can we be a part of that mission?
- Day 2: John 3:22-36 Q: Are we looking at other people or places other than Jesus to provide salvation?
- Day 3: John 4:1-26 Q: Are there people you are afraid to interact with because of race, culture, social status, or economic status?
- Day 4: John 4:27-42 Q: Are we ready to sow and reap? Do you see the power of testimony and sharing what God has done for you?
- Day 5: John 4:43-54 Q: Jesus is working in our lives every day. Do we recognize and give credit to God for his work?

#### Week 3: Jesus Live Out His Ministry

- Day 1: John 5:1-15 Q: Jesus gives hope to those who don't have any. Is there anyone you know who needs hope?
- Day 2: John 5:16-30 Q: Jesus says, "I seek not to please myself but him who sent me" (vs.30) Do you have the same desire to not please yourself, but to please God who sends you?
- Day 3: John 5:31-47 Q: Is Jesus ever right in front of you, but you fail to see him?
- Day 4: John 6:1-24 Q: Do you ever underestimate the power of Jesus like the disciples did?
- Day 5: John 6:25-59 Q: Is your church's desire to have more people in church and more money in the account or is your church's desire to further the kingdom of God?

#### Week 4: Jesus Is Not Afraid to Be Set Apart

- Day 1: John 6:60-71 Q: As a church, do you ever talk about the difficult topics? The ones that are hard to hear?
- Day 2: John 7:1-24 Q: How does vs. 18 impact your ministry?
- Day 3: John 7:25-44 Q: We receive the Holy Spirit by drinking from Jesus. What does drinking from Jesus mean, and are we drinking?
- Day 4: John 7:45-8:11 Q: Are we showing love to people even when no one else is?
- Day 5: John 8:12-30 Q: We have the light because Jesus is the light. Are we sharing this light with others?

#### Week 5: Jesus Followers are Willing to Be Set Apart

- Day 1: John 8:31-59 Q: What does it mean to be adopted into the family of God?
- Day 2: John 9:1-12 Q: When Jesus works in our lives, do we insist on letting people know what Jesus did?
- Day 3: John 9:13-41 Q: What are you willing to risk to proclaim Jesus? Would God be satisfied with that?
- Day 4: John 10:1-21 Q: Do we as sheep know the Good Shepherd? Do we know his voice? Do we know what he has done for us?
- Day 5: John 10:22-42 Q: John's testimony about Jesus had a long-term impact, are we sharing our testimonies so they can have a long-term impact?

#### Final questions:

- What can you do to pay attention to the works of Christ, and how are you going to share that with others?
- What Holy Spirit inspired thoughts came to me while reading that I should share with the Renewal Lab team?

