



## Discussion Guide | November 19, 2017

### **Read together 1 Corinthians 9:19-22**

The Apostle Paul changed his approach to evangelize others based on the beliefs and preferences of the culture of people he was ministering to. If we are going to be an effective disciple-making church we will need to be open to changing our approach to communicate the gospel in a way that is relevant to our culture.

### **What is the Process? Part Three**

1. What was the most significant take-away from this sermon?
2. To be effective at making disciples, it is helpful to be aware of the needs and fears of the culture. What are the needs and fears of the culture in the Park Rapids area? In what way does Jesus promise to meet those needs?
3. Have you seen the gospel message changed to make it more palatable to our culture? In what ways?
4. Pastor Ken shared the truth that, as Christians, we are not to change the gospel message. However, how we communicate this message can and should change to reach people in a culturally relevant way. Can you name some examples of changes we can make as individuals or as a church to reach more for Christ?
5. In what ways can our own preferences become a barrier to others in our community coming to know Christ?

### **Sharing/Caring Questions**

1. What has God been showing you this past week through His word, through life situations at home, work, church, or through other means?
2. Are there any things in your life or family we can celebrate together - spiritual or otherwise?
3. Are there any struggles or hardships in your life or family that we can pray for - spiritual or otherwise?
4. Are there any other prayer requests or specific areas the group can pray for?