

**SERMON SERIES:** LIFE IN RHYTHM

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## **Sermon title:**

“Making Disciples.”

## **Introduction**

Last week we concluded our Summer In The Psalms series. We looked at various psalms and talked about what God could teach us through each one. As we begin a new series, Life in Rhythm, we are confident that God has great plans for each of us this fall. As summertime comes to a close, we are shifting our focus as a church family to the rhythms we establish in our lives.

- What are some habits you do daily? Are there any habits you have that others might find silly?

## **Seek the Word**

Read Matthew 28:18-20.

- How is the authority of Jesus different than the authority of other people?
- In verse 20, Jesus says to teach people all he has commanded. What commandments is he referring to?

Read Matthew 22:34-40.

- Why does Jesus specify to love with both heart, soul, and mind? What is Jesus trying to help them understand?
- What does this passage tell us about the priorities of Jesus?

## **Go Deeper**

Matthew 22 references the Pharisees and the Sadducees. These two groups are found throughout the New Testament. Do some research to familiarize yourself with who these two groups are, their similarities, and their differences. Your Bible, a Bible dictionary, a concordance, or online resources may be helpful.

## **Talk About It**

- Which is the easiest for you to love God with: heart, soul, or mind? Why is that?
- How often are you around people who do not know Jesus? Is that intentional?
- What prevents you from living on mission with Jesus? How can you remove those barriers?
- How do we balance being in Christian community together and spending time with non-believers?

## **Wrap Up**

*Reminder:* To be in rhythm with Jesus, we need to be on mission with Jesus.

*Challenge:* Choose one way to practice being on mission with Jesus. Maybe it is stepping out in faith to lead a life group, inviting someone over for a meal that you usually wouldn't, or volunteering at a non-profit organization once a month. Commit to doing one action that brings you closer to people so that you can show them God's love.