# DISCUSSION GUIDE

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday Worship Service 10AM In-Person and Online May 12 Mother's Day May 19 Beyond Offering Partner with us as we give our annual offering for foreign and local missions! May 26 Fellowship at the Park Grab lunch after service and join us for fellowship at the park (Park TBD)

# **OUR MISSION**

Love God. Live Change. Light the Way.

# **OUR VALUES**

God's Word: is our Narrative We discover who God is and how we participate in his story. Love: is our Calling We honor and value one another above ourselves. Serving: is our Passion We do everything with zeal and ownership. Prayer: is our Priority We pray as our first response, not our last resort. Hospitality: is our Mission We seek opportunities to

share what God has given us.



# **BEYOND OFFERING**

Once a year we provide a special opportunity to go above and beyond in our generosity during our annual Beyond Offering. This year we are giving on **Sunday May 19** through **Saturday August 31**. If you've never participated in this special endeavor, please prayerfully consider joining with us as we forge the way forward. God is moving among us in our church and beyond. We are so thankful for your generosity. Lighthouse would not be what is without you! You can download our Beyond Offering outline on our website for more information.

# **ONLINE GIVING**

You can give either a one-time gift or setup re-occurring giving that fits your personal pay schedule using PushPay. There are two ways you can do this. You can go to lighthousecoc.com and click the "give" button or you can text **LCOC** to **77977** and you will receive a text message with directions to follow. Finally, you can also write a check to Lighthouse Church and mail it to 3508 East Temple Way, West Covina, CA 91791. Thank you so much for investing into the mission of Jesus Christ!

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Mark Ramirez** Please pray for healing for his health complications.

Amira Angulo Please pray for Amira
to make a full recovery from surgery.
Andy Harrison Please pray that God
would completely heal his kidneys.
Ruben Narvaez Please pray that God
would heal him of cancer.

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# **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

### **Conversation Starter**

- · What are you most looking forward to this Summer?
- · How can we as a group pray for our Beyond Offering?

#### Sermon Reflection

Take a moment as a group to reflect on the following questions:

- What stood out to you from the message this week?
- What encouraged you or challenged you from the message?
- You can download our Mark Journal at lighthousecoc.com

## **Sermon Discussion**

• Read Mark 6:1-6 (Proverbs 18:19, Matthew 7:3-5)

## **1. Familiarity Breeds Contempt**

- Familiarity is an enemy of faith and breeds contempt for all that we have been given by God. If we are not careful, that which makes us familiar can distract us and cut down the very faith that has helped us grow so strong. To escape the trap of familiarity, we are called to remove the planks that prevent us from seeing our faults and serve as hindrances.
- Q: Have you ever noticed that we give less grace to the people we know the best? Why do you think that is?
- Q: Are there any people or places that you have taken for granted because you have become too familiar? What can you do this week to express gratitude and honor?

#### 2. A Prophet Without Honor

- The hometown prophet was in front of them and they were blinded to it. Due to familiarity, instead of seeing a savior, the people who knew Jesus best saw an insignificant carpenter. Instead of honor, they chose offense, the bait of Satan.
- Q: How does offense prevent us from seeing God move in our lives? Do you have any personal examples from your life?
- Q: How does honoring others impact the lives of those around you? Take some time to honor each other in your group.
- FAITH IN ACTION: If you have any offense against someone in your life, do not gossip about them, but make it point to talk to the person you are offended with and then LET IT GO.