## Weekly Discussion Guide - 8-24-2025

## "of All Nations"

Text: Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8

- 1. Share a time you traveled to a different place (city, state, or country). What surprised you most about the people or culture there?
- 2. When you hear the phrase "of all nations" from Matthew 28, what first comes to your mind? How is it different from simply hearing, "Go and make disciples"?
- 3. Read Matthew 28:18-20. What stands out most to you and why?
- 4. Read Acts 1:8. How do you see the concentric circles of Jerusalem, Judea/Samaria, and the ends of the earth connecting with our church's strategy for missions?
- 5. What dangers can you think of for only focusing on one or two circles at the expense of the others?
- 6. Why does Jesus call us to make disciples *of all nations* instead of just serving the people nearest to us?
- 7. Discuss the difference between mission partnerships (long-term, deep roots) and mission initiatives (short-term, wide branches). How does each reflect God's heart for the nations?
- 8. What examples of *giving* and *going* 1) locally, 2) regionally/nationally, and/or 3) globally have been most impactful to you? What has it done for your faith?
- 9. Take a few moments to pray for each of our circles –Jerusalem (our local context), Judea and Samaria (regional and national), and the ends of the earth (global). Please begin praying specifically for our upcoming Zambia Christmas Project and Mexico trip.