REACH|13 Week 2 | Diving Appointments

Discussion | THINK

- 1. From the sermon: "If we do not regularly remind ourselves and challenge ourselves about the need to reach people with the Gospel, we will easily drift into spiritual complacency." What does this mean? Does it apply to you?
- 2. The Acts 10 passage illustrates a contrast between Peter and Cornelius. What is the contrast? [Peter knows Christ. Cornelius is a good man, a religious man, but he does not know Jesus.] Who is your Cornelius?
- 3. Pastor Mark said that God used Peter's hunger to communicate a very important and radical message. Has God ever used an ordinary need or event to communicate something to you? Would anyone share an example?
- 4. Acts 10:28-29 shows that Peter went to Cornelius' house but did not know why Cornelius sent for him. Can you think of a time that you were obedient to God even when you were not certain what God was up to? Who can share?
- 5. Through Peter's sharing the Gospel with Cornelius, the Gospel "came to people who others considered unreachable." There remain thousands of unreached people groups in the world. Are they unreachable? Do you have a role to play in reaching them?

6.	Fill in the blanks: God is on a sovereign mission to	
	[REACH PEOPLE], and we are an	[ESSENTIAL PART] of that
	mission.	

- 7. Pastor Mark challenged us to look at our lives differently with regard to missions outreach. For example, why are we in our neighborhoods, our jobs, at College Park Church? In the context of REACH 13, put the following two questions on the table for your small group to explore. And if someone in your small group is considering a "yes" to either question, or feels that God is challenging them right now, take time to discuss and pray together.
- Is God calling me to consider taking my career to a foreign field so that I can reach the people who God is calling?
- Is God asking me to take this Gospel-sharing mission as my new calling in life?

For further thought:

If time permits, discuss the barriers that keep us from participating in reaching others with the Gospel. The sermon notes provide helpful information.

- Theology
- Prejudice
- Self-centeredness
- Approval/fear of man
- Certainty

Which if these barriers do you practice? Which of these surface in your life on a regular basis? How can a greater understanding of the Gospel and your own need help dispel these?