

GROWING DEEPER:

Questions to dig deeper into this week's topic 

THE ALL Y'ALL DOCTRINE

Even the Children?!

1. Human institutions tend to be segmented demographically (age, income, education, race/ethnicity, etc.) Read Matthew 28:16-20 and Acts 1:7-8, what does Jesus envision for his movement?
2. Age and maturity are different things. What do you think of as markers of maturity from a faith perspective? (Note: Ephesians 4 might be a good chapter to skim for guidance).
3. Look through the list of some (not all) of the contributions older and younger can make to the mission of Jesus. Identify the ones that speak to you and look up the corresponding Bible verses. What do you hear God saying to you personally about what you can contribute?
 - Contributions of the older:
 - Wisdom (Proverbs 2:1-5)
 - Resources (Acts 2:44-45)
 - Faithfulness (Titus 2:2)
 - Delight (1 Thess. 2:7-8)
 - Contributions of the younger:
 - Respect (Exodus 20:12)
 - Passion (Romans 12:11)
 - Energy (Proverbs 20:29)
 - Openness (Acts 2:17)
4. In today's culture, extended families are often separated by great distances. The payoff is usually economic mobility and prosperity. What are the downsides you've personally experienced due to this culture of separation?
5. Reflecting on your experience with the Church of Jesus,
 - What personal benefits have you received from being a part of an intergenerational community?
 - What benefits have you offered others?
 - What could you do to strengthen the community of believers based on your current age and life-stage?