



# LIFEGROUPS STUDY GUIDE

*"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42*

SERIES:  
Colossians

MESSAGE TITLE:  
The First Steps of the Gospel

MESSAGE DATE:  
08/11/2024

## MESSAGE SUMMARY:

Pastor Matt's sermon focuses on the gospel cycle in the book of Colossians, stressing the importance of sharing the gospel. Using Colossians 1:3, he emphasizes the need for verbal communication in sharing the good news, challenging the notion that actions alone are sufficient. Through the stages of believing and transforming, Pastor Matt underscores the Holy Spirit's transformative work and the call to love others as Christ does. Lastly, he urges the congregation to actively participate in discipleship and continually share the gospel, embodying the idea of 'beautiful feet' in spreading the message of Christ.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1.) Why is it important to use words when sharing the gospel, and how can we effectively communicate the message?

*Pastor Matt emphasizes the importance of using words to share the gospel in the stage of hearing, as simply living a Christian life is not enough.*

*What are some situations in your own life where you could use words to share the gospel with others?*

2.) In the stage of believing, what is the difference between knowing about Jesus and truly believing in Him?

*Pastor Matt discusses the difference between knowing about Jesus and truly believing in Him, using the example of St. Francis of Assisi's quote.*

*How has your belief in Jesus impacted your daily life and decisions?*

3.) How does the Holy Spirit bring about transformation in a believer's life, and what role does discipleship play in this process?

*What are some areas in your life where you have experienced or desire transformation through the Holy Spirit and discipleship?*



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4.) What does it mean to have 'beautiful feet' in the context of sharing the gospel and making disciples?

*In the repeating stage of the gospel cycle, Pastor Matt encourages the congregation to have 'beautiful feet' by actively sharing the good news with others.*

*How can you personally take steps to actively share the gospel and make disciples in your community?*

5.) How does Colossians 1:3 connect to the overall theme of the sermon, and what can we learn from Paul's attitude and commitment?

*The main scripture for the sermon is Colossians 1:3, where Paul expresses his prayer and thanks for the believers, showing his dedication to spreading the gospel.*

*In what ways can you emulate Paul's commitment and attitude in sharing the gospel and caring for fellow believers?*