



Evangelism

"Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Selah. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Psalm 67:3

This month, we will be reading the book *Something Needs to Change* by David Platt. In this book, David details his trip to the Himalayan mountains. He details his journal entries from his trip and calls us to take a look inwardly and ask in what ways do we need to change our lives for what God calls us to do as his disciples. In this book, David Platt details each day that he was on this trip, from his arrival to his departure. David Platt will challenge us with four different prompts:

• Work hard to help amid earthly suffering.

"If we're not careful, we can isolate ourselves from the suffering around us. We can occupy ourselves with the busyness of life, school, work, and play; and never engage ourselves in being the hands and feet of Christ to the needlest around us."

Work hardest to keep people from eternal suffering.

"Work hardest at sharing the message of God's holiness; our sinfulness; Jesus's unique life, death, and resurrection; and the urgent need for people to trust in him as Savior and Lord for eternal life."

Be the church God calls us to be.

"The purpose of a local church is to be a display of the love of Christ in a local community and to send members out for the spread of hope beyond that community."

Run the race God calls you to run.

"We need to run for our own sake, and we need to run for the sake of others."

March Assignments

- Read *Something Needs to Change*, and prepare some notes to share with your group. Your notes should include the following:
 - List the big ideas of each chapter.
 - List your key takeaways.
 - Discuss how you will apply it to your life now.
 - Bring your takeaways and application points to your monthly meeting.
 - Be ready to share insights about how you share the gospel with others and what kind of conversations you are having with your one.
- Have a Man-date with one other guy in your group. Discuss topics like the book, the verses, family life, personal life, etc.
- This month's assignment is to pray fervently for your ONE (someone who does not know Jesus as their Lord and Savior) every day. You can pick a time and set an alarm on your phone to stop and pray when it alerts you. You can use a "verse time" like 10:09 AM or PM to represent Romans 10:9 as your reminder or just set an alarm every day at whatever time is best for you to take a couple of minutes. Be creative. Be diligent. Grieve the thought that this individual does not know Christ and thus is missing out on that relationship now and ultimately for eternity! Lastly, pair up with one other guy in the group for this month. An easy pairing is the guy you will have your mandate with. Let them share with you their ONE (so you have some specifics to pray), and then you will commit to praying for their ONE and your ONE at the appointed time you have set. If you two can decide to set the same appointed time, it can help with your accountability to each other—send texts or emojis to each other to assure/remind/encourage them that their ONE has been prayed over that day.
- Memorize the verses below before your next group meeting. (download the Verses app for help memorizing.)
 - "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," Romans 3:23
 - "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23
 - "but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."
 Romans 5:8
 - "if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9
 Scripture is taken from ESV, but use whatever translation you prefer.
- REMINDER: Each month, go to <u>biltmorechurch.com/davidsmen</u> to download materials.