

Growing Young: Keychain Leadership
Core Group Discussion Guide
April 15, 2018

Message Overview:

This week we begin our Growing Young series. We are really excited to begin this series and have been working through these ideas as a leadership team for quite some time. The fundamental question we will be addressing throughout the series is “How do we become the kind of church community that effectively helps our younger people become mature people of faith who love Jesus and the church?” This message will set the stage by laying key foundations for becoming this kind of church as well as address leadership approaches that serve to create a church that is growing young.

Text:

- Matthew 16:13-20
- Titus 5:1-9

Questions for Discussion:

1. What stood out to you in this message?
2. What are you excited about most in this series?
3. What concerns you most?
4. Were any questions you had answered today?
5. Early in the message, Jeremy listed a number of characteristics that did not necessarily correlate to having a church that is growing young. Which of those characteristics surprised you most? Why? (church size, trendy location, age of church, part of a denomination or lack of denomination, “hip” leader and church, modern building, big budget, contemporary worship music, watered down teaching style, hyper entertaining ministry program.)
6. In the message we saw how Jesus entrusted real leadership responsibilities to his disciples. What practical leadership keys do you see in the church that can be carefully handed to younger people?
7. In the message, we were also challenged that leaders must have actual leadership authority before they are able to give that authority away. How do you think age and experience effect our willingness to embrace following elders and other leaders of our church?
8. What do you think are the effects on young people when they are given real responsibility and authority in particular places within the church family?
9. At the End of Core Group: Do you have any questions about how next week’s transition to multigenerational groups will work?