

PVC SMALL GROUPS  
**DARING FAITH**  
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## **CONNECT**

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This is our first week of a short two-week series about what are called “the global giants”. This week, we lay out what the giants are, and Jesus’ expectation that we be involved to overcome them.

- How do you respond in a crisis? Why do you think you respond that way?

## **DISCOVER**

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The passage for this week gives us a picture of basic human needs, and how followers of Christ, play a role in overcoming these global giants.

Read Matthew 25:35-40, and then answer a few questions together.

- What needs did Jesus describe? Which of these is most pressing in our area?
- Why do you think Jesus listed being a stranger among these other needs? Does this apply to those at church who aren’t connected? If so, how.
- What do you think Jesus meant by, “the least of these”?
- Why do you think Jesus refers to those in need as brothers and sisters? How should that change your view on people in need?
- In what way is caring for those in need caring for Christ Himself?

## **GROW**

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Big Idea: The foundation of God's mission in the world is the church.

When sin entered the world, brokenness occurred. This brokenness spread into what are called "global giants". Global giants are problems that affect billions of people! The top five global giants are:

Spiritual Emptiness  
Self-Centered Leadership  
Poverty  
Disease  
Illiteracy

- What are your first thoughts when you look at this list?
- How does it make you feel to know God wants believers, the church, to meet needs in these areas?
- Have you been affected by any of these giants? Which one, and how?
- Has God used you to meet any of these needs in someone's life? Briefly share that story.

## **NEXT STEPS**

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- Which of the global giants are you most concerned about? Why this one?
- What is one thing you can do this week to make a difference in that area?