Leader Conversation Guide - Make Waves

Main Idea

This week Pastor Mark Johnston continued in our Overflow series. Did you know you have influence? It makes no difference if you're the CEO or the employee. You can be young, old, rich, or poor. We all have influence. Pastor Mark asked this question, Have you ever wondered where waves come from? Waves are caused by energy passing through the water, causing it to move in a circular motion. We've all seen it! When you throw a pebble or rock into the pond it creates the 'ripple effect'. The energy passed through the water and created the ripple and as the ripple extends out you see the wave. We were meant to make waves! What Jesus said to His disciples in John 20, He is still saying today. Too often we ask God to fix our problems, but that's not what God does. He doesn't fix problems, He fills people! Let the breath of God fill you with power and purpose.

"..."Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you." Then He breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

John 20:21-21 NLT

Make it Practical

- Taking a Next Step makes waves. We are a Church of Next Steps. No matter what mile
 marker you find yourself at in your walk with Christ, there's a Next Step.
- Taking the time to Serve makes waves. Why do we talk so much about serving at Victory Church? Because that's what Jesus did! He said, "I have come not to be served, but to serve."
- Taking the Good News to others makes waves. It's not about you working something up, as a follower of Christ it has already been deposited. Let this be our prayer, "breath on me God." The wave comes from the energy that passes through the water. Let the Holy Spirit be that energy in your life, passing through you to those around you.

Talk About It

- What does your sphere of influence look like? Who is in your "wave pool"?
- How does realizing you're a leader/influencer change the way you think about your life?
- · Have you taken any Steps recently to keep your water from becoming stagnant?
- If the water has become stagnant, What is a Next Step God has placed on your heart to take? If you don't know, take a Next Step and join us on the Growth Track.

"God doesn't just fix problems. He wants to <u>fill</u> our lives with grace and power, so we can live in the Overflow and make waves!"

Prayer

Father, breathe on me today! Holy Spirit fill me so that I may share your Good News and make waves in the lives of those you've placed around me! Help me recognize the influence You have given me, and show me how You want me to use that influence for Your glory. In Your name, Amen.

Leader Tip

Make a list of those you consider to be in your sphere of influence. Ask God to create moments for you to make waves in their lives.