

# MESSAGE

## 7 ON DISCIPLESHIP

**BECOMING 7 | REVELATION 7:9-10; MATTHEW 28:18-20 | SEPTEMBER 10/11, 2016**

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*"There before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb." (Revelation 7:9)*

### **Becoming 7 (Revelation 7:9-10)**

### **The Essence of Life with God is Discipleship (Matthew 28:18-20)**

What is discipleship?

What is our definition of discipleship at Eastbrook?

### **Becoming 7 on Discipleship**

Our goal at Eastbrook

# STUDY GUIDE

1. Do you ever set new years' resolutions? If so, what have been some of your most important resolutions? If not, why not?
2. This week we begin a new series on our vision for the year and beyond called "Becoming 7." As you begin your study, ask God to speak to you and reveal His purposes for You and our church. Then, whether you are with a group or on your own, read Revelation 7:9-17 aloud.
3. This passage reflects an interlude in the flow of the book of revelation between the opening of the sixth (Revelation 6) and seventh seals (Revelation 8). Here we reconnect with the heavenly vision described earlier in Revelation, chapters 4-5. How would you describe the number and nationality of this group?
4. Because of their white robes and palm branches, we know this group is part of the redeemed in Jesus Christ. How does their acclamation in verse 10 reflect their stance as the saved?
5. What do you think it looks like for a church on earth to be a snapshot of this heavenly vision? How do you think our church could grow in this way?
6. Now read Matthew 28:16-20, which is known as the Great Commission. What are the summary commands of Jesus Christ to the disciples here in these verses?
7. Why is it important that, as stated in these verses, Jesus holds authority and is present with His followers? What might this say to the disciples then and what does it say to us now?
8. If this Great Commission is the essential call of the church, how well do you think we are living this calling out as a church? How well do you think you are doing at living this calling out as a disciple yourself?
9. What is one significant thing you are learning through this study? How might you put that into practice this week as you pray? Whether on your own or with a group, take some time to pray based off of what God was speaking to you during this study.

*[Next week we continue our series "Becoming 7" by looking at our calling to join God's mission in the world around us. You can prepare by reflecting on the book of Acts, particularly chapter 1-2.]*