**R Group Discussion Questions**

Mission Apex

9.21.25

When you hear the phrase *“Jesus is the apex of God’s mission”*, what comes to mind?

1. **Renewed Israel**

Why do you think repentance was such a central part of both John the Baptist’s and Jesus’ message? How does this speak to us today?

How does baptism still function as a visible sign of repentance and renewal in the church?

1. **Lost Sheep**

Jesus initially focused his mission on “the lost sheep of Israel.” Why do you think God’s plan unfolded this way rather than going straight to all nations?

Why did Jesus respond the way he did to the Canaanite woman? Also, in what way does this point forward and preview the mission to the nations?

1. **Not of this fold**

How does the death and resurrection of Jesus mark a turning point in God’s mission to the world?

Jesus said his followers are to be **salt and light** (Matt. 5:13–16). Where is God calling you to shine light in “dark places” right now?

What does it look like for us to live as “witnesses” of Jesus in everyday life?

How does this sermon challenge or encourage your understanding of God’s mission? In what ways can we participate in His mission?