



Victor Rembeth –

Humanitarian and interfaith cooperation witnesses to the love of Jesus Christ

Discussion Guide

This resource is designed to help your small group or college class discussion. It's shaped to inspire you to consider new ways to understand the issues discussed in this video. You don't need to answer all the questions. Please allow time for discussion and response.

Materials

1. Person Interviewed: Victor Rembeth
2. Theme of Video: Humanitarian and interfaith cooperation witnesses to the love of Jesus Christ

Preliminary discussion

Consider the questions suggested below to start the conversation for your small group or college class. They'll consolidate the content of the video, after you've viewed it.

1. What were the major themes in this video?
2. How do those themes relate to your life and context?
3. Discuss the difficulties of the content. What was difficult to understand? Was there anything you would like to clarify with the group?
4. Theological method: How is the interviewee's theology and outlook informed and shaped by their practical ministry and context? What approaches do they take in understanding God in the context of their daily life and ministry?

Explore and apply

Explore the major themes raised in the video. Critically engage with the theology. Consider the questions that respond to the issues raised in your preliminary discussion. Apply the answers to these questions in your own setting. Ensure the discussion is specifically drawing on your local setting. Make sure the discussion is relevant to the lives of faith for your small group or college class. Encourage relevant and thoughtful examples from each participant.

1. What ministries is Victor Rembeth involved in?
2. Three consecutive major disasters in Indonesia (Great Indian Ocean Tsunami, Dec.2004, Nias Earthquake, March 2005, and Yogyakarta Earthquake, May 2006) have been considered as wake-up calls and eye openers for Indonesia, and how it prevents and responds to natural disasters. How has Indonesian society responded to such disasters?
3. What role have Christians and the churches and Christian Aid agencies played in responding to (and seeking to prevent) natural and other disasters?
4. Recently Victor joined an Indonesian delegation to Israel. What was the purpose of that visit, and who was involved? What did the trip achieve?
5. How can Christians and Muslims work together for a peaceful world?
6. Victor has been a leading figure in Indonesia in pro-democracy efforts and in interfaith dialogues. Why is he passionate about these things? And how has he been involved in them?
7. What is God doing today in the church in Indonesia today?
8. What are the greatest challenges facing the church in Asia (and especially Indonesia) today?
9. How can the Asian church make disciples of Jesus?
10. How can the church activate all of God's people in mission and ministry?
11. What social and ethical issues must the Asian church address today?
12. What can Western churches learn from Asian churches, and from Indonesian Christianity in particular?
13. What is the mission of the church? How does it pursue this mission?
14. How can the church renew its theology and mission?

Informing Community

Facilitate the space for your group to respond to the discussion. You might consider this section as a personal time of written journal responses to the following questions.

1. What is God encouraging our group and me, to do?
2. In response to the issues raised in the video, what are areas I want to ask God for forgiveness in? How do I need to change? What does God want me to stand up for?
3. How do I need God to minister to me and my community, for us to better engage with the contextual issues of our community?
4. How can I gain a better understanding of the issues discussed in this video? What do we ask that God would do in our hearts?

Prayer

Spend time in prayer over what you've learnt.

Invite the ministry of the Holy Spirit to clarify, heal, and inspire change for your participants and communities.

Links

Website: www.theglobalchurchproject.com

Books:

Graham Hill and Grace Ji-Sun Kim. *Healing Our Broken Humanity: Practices for Revitalizing the Church and Renewing the World* (IVP, 2018).

Graham Hill, *GlobalChurch: Reshaping Our Conversations, Renewing Our Mission, Revitalizing Our Churches* (IVP Academic, 2016).

Graham Hill, *Salt, Light, and a City (Second Edition): Ecclesiology for the Global Missional Community: Volume 1, Western Voices* (Cascade, 2017).