Kingdom Training Level 7: Finding My Mission Lesson 2: Rediscovering Our Mission

For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died.

2 Corinthians 5:14

REDISCOVER GOSPEL

- God loves us enough to give his son (John 3:16) Live like we are LOVED.
- God forgives us and forgets about our sin (Heb 8:12) Look ahead to a GLORIOUS FUTURE.
- God promises us eternal life (John 14:2, 1 John 2:25) Believe God's PROMISES.
- God is God, we don't have to be (Ps 46:10, Rom 8:37) I know who holds my FUTURE.

Am I behaving like a Christian or captivated by God's love? [JD Greear, The Gospel]

REDISCOVER MISSION

In the same way that you gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission... John 17:19 (Msg)

• Mission – "an important goal or purpose that is accompanied by strong conviction; a **CALLING** or vocation" (Dictionary.com)

Matthew 28:18-20 Jesus gave them His Mission: The Great Commission

- 1) **REVEAL** God Preach the GOSPEL!
- 2) **RELATE** Make disciples = teach people to have a relationship with God
- 3) **RESCUE** Baptize them for forgiveness of sins and the Holy Spirit!

Our Mission: Make God KNOWN by living God's way for God's glory

- 1. **WALK** with God
- 3. **BUILD** Family
- 5. **SERVE** the Needy

- 2. **LOVE** One Another
- 4. **WORK** Wholeheartedly
- 6. **MAKE** Disciples

I. Commanded to Love: Living the Greatest Commandments (Matthew 22:37-40)

Love God and Your Neighbor. All the law and the prophets hang on these two commandments!

- 1. Walk with God (Micah 6:8)
- Spend **TIME** with God pray, listen, read, confess, cry, sing, praise, and love Him!
- Worship God worship is your **LIFE** (Rom 12:1)
- Draw Near to God
 - o Father: approach the throne of grace with confidence (Heb 4:16)
 - o Son: Jesus is Lord, follow him as disciples, become like Him!
 - o Holy Spirit: walk in the Counselor's Power & guidance [Chan, Forgotten God]
- Obey God Obedience is God's love language (John 14:15)
 - o Obeying Him should be my number one priority
 - o My goal should be to be completely surrendered
 - o Every area of my life is under the Lordship of Christ
- 2. Love One Another (John 13:34-35) Focus of Class 3, and KT 3?
- Recognize His **BODY** we belong to / need each other to survive (Rom 12:5, 1 Cor 12)
- **CONNECT** with God's Family
- Contribute time, heart, effort, love, money, & life

II. Created to Create: Finding Mission in Family and Vocation

- **3. Build Family (Eph 5:21-6:4)** Family is God's training ground!
- Reproduce! (Gen 1)
- Support Your Family (1 Tim 5:8)
- Learn Your Role parent, child, extended family
- Take Responsibility
- **4. Work Wholeheartedly (Col 3:23) –** [Class 4 will focus on this]
- Created to WORK (Gen 3) & Created for Works (Eph 2:10)
- Equipped for Work (2 Tim 3:17) & Honor Hard Workers (1 Thes 5:12-13)

III. Called to Minister: You Can Change the World!

- 5. Serve the Needy (Gal 2:10)
- Lend an Ear your experiences and pains help you to empathize with others (2 Cor 1:9)
- Open your Eyes get out of the NOVA bubble and see the needs!
- Share the Wealth we were made rich so that we can be generous!
- Give your Heart people need to feel loved
- Lift a Muscle find ways to help physically (1 John 3:17)
- Move those Feet get yourself around those in need!
- Do Something!
- 6. Make Disciples (Matt 9:38)
- Share Your Faith & Study The Bible With People
- Baptize Them & Teach Them

Picture Mission: The New Testament Church

- The Power of the Holy Spirit made them witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8)
- God made all of the disciples MISSIONARIES! (Acts 8:3-5, Msg)
- NT Mission: 1) Loved God, 2) Devoted to one another, 3) Built exemplary families, 4) Gave best effort at work, 5) Served the needy, and 6) Evangelized the world! (Acts 5:13-14)
- Spread from the Middle East to Europe, Asia, India, and to every creature (Col 1:23)
- Through the Holy Spirit, the disciples became Jesus' hands, feet, mouth, and ears

Picture Mission: The International Churches of Christ

- 1960s-1970s: Crossroads Campus movement started to make disciples
- 1979: Boston Church of Christ multiplying disciples and churches
- 1979-2000: 393 ICOC churches in 171 nations
- 1989: Washington DC Church planted; then plants 11 churches in the Region
- 2000-Today: ICOC Cooperation Churches, Service Teams, Unity
- 2007: Revival in the Northern Virginia Church of Christ

The Gospel + Holy Spirit power + the Mission + NT Example + ICOC inspiration...

- It's time for us to live as Jesus hands, feet, ears, and mouth
- We are not finished yet!