



Mission Sunday

October 16 & 19, 2025

Ice Breaker

If you could have any superpower for just one day, what would it be and how would you use it to help others?

Key Verses

- Matthew 28:18-20
- Acts 1:8
- Matthew 9:37-38
- 1 Peter 4:10-11
- 1 Corinthians 12:4-6
- Romans 12:6-8
- 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Questions

- What was your reaction to learning that 3.5 billion people have never heard the good news of Jesus Christ? How does this statistic challenge or motivate you?
- Kent mentioned that Jesus spoke everything in parables because many people were oral preference learners. How might this help us as we share our faith with others?
- The speaker shared examples of his own service (coffee and donuts, monster movers). What are some simple ways you have served or could serve in your church or community?
- When you think about the different roles in missions (goers, senders, mobilizers, welcomers, prayer warriors, volunteers), which one resonates most with you and why?

- How do you typically discover or recognize the spiritual gifts God has given you? What gifts do you see in others in this group?
- Kent challenged us to use our 'three T's' - time, talents, and treasure. Which of these three do you find most challenging to surrender to God's purposes?
- The sermon mentioned that close to half the world lives on less than \$2 a day. How should this reality impact how we view and use our resources?
- What barriers (fear, busyness, lack of knowledge, etc.) might prevent you from getting more involved in missions, and how can we overcome them together?

Life Application

This week, have the 'gifts conversation' that Kent suggested. Sit down with a close friend, family member, or spouse and ask them: 'What gifts do you think God has given me?' Then share what gifts you see in them. Additionally, spend time in prayer asking God specifically: 'What do You want me to be more involved in right now?' Write down what comes to mind and take one concrete step toward that calling this week, whether it's visiting the 4Joy website, volunteering locally, or reaching out to a neighbor.

Key Takeaways

- Every believer is called to participate in the Great Commission, not just professional missionaries
- God has given each person unique gifts that are meant to be used for His glory and the advancement of His kingdom
- There are 3.5 billion unreached people in the world, with 90% being oral preference learners who respond best to storytelling methods
- We can serve God through our time, talents, and treasure in various roles: goers, senders, mobilizers, welcomers, prayer warriors, or volunteers
- The harvest is great but the workers are few - God is calling more people to get involved in reaching the lost both locally and globally

Ending Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for the reminder that You have called each of us to be part of Your Great Commission. We are humbled by the vastness of the task before us, yet encouraged that You have equipped us with everything we need. Help us to be faithful stewards of the gifts, time, and resources You have entrusted to us. Give us courage to step out of our comfort zones and wisdom to know how You want us to serve. Whether You call us to go across the street or across the world, help us to say 'yes' to Your leading. Burden our hearts for the lost and fill us with Your Holy Spirit so that we might be effective witnesses for You. Use our church and this small group to make a significant impact for Your kingdom. We commit to seeking You this week about how we can be more involved in Your mission. In Your precious name we pray, Amen.