

Becoming a

Compelling **Missional** Disciple



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As group of regular people that God has planted here at ALC **we seek to live out God's story the way Jesus showed.** We don't just believe in Jesus, we seek to practice His way of living. Jesus referred to those kinds of people as disciples – they were **compelling** because their lives had been transformed by their relationship with Jesus and were mark by His life-giving presence. They were **missional** because they understood that they were partners with Jesus in His shared mission. A mission where God is forming a new kind of humanity that's seeking to see His Kingdom come here on earth as it is in heaven.

God's desire, and our desire for you, is that you would become a Compelling Missional Disciple.

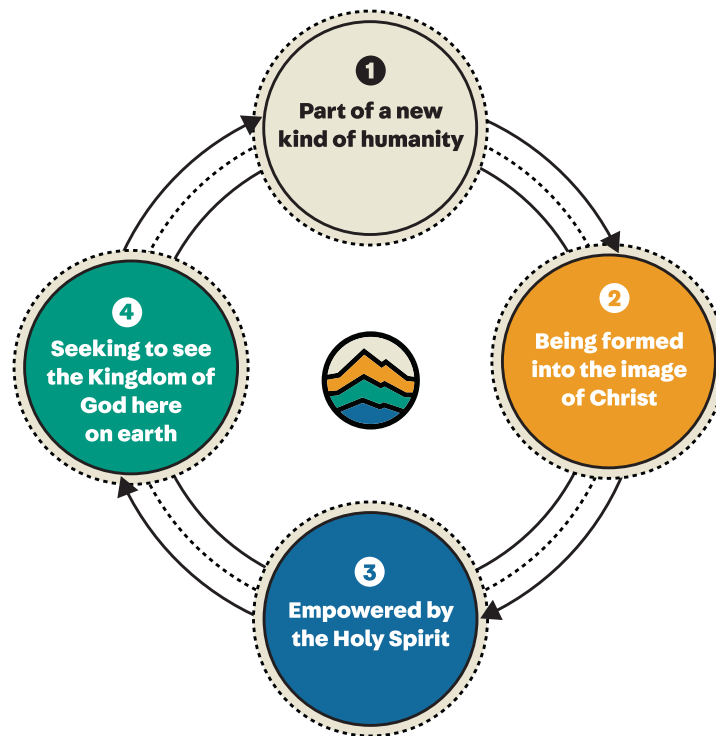
Compelling Missional Disciples are followers of Jesus who are marked by and seek after four things:

1. Because are identity is defined by being in Christ, we recognize **we're becoming a part of new kind of humanity.** One that reflects the character and nature of Jesus.
2. **We are being "counter-formed" into the image of Christ.** Not conformed to the patterns and ways of culture but transformed by God's Word and Spirt to become increasingly reflective of Jesus.
3. We can't do this by ourselves and recognize that **God has given us His Holy Spirit to help us** to become more like who God designed us to be.
4. As this is reflected in our relationships, finances, priorities, work etc **we're seeking to see the Kingdom of God – God's order and life - here on earth.**



The Loop.

Here at ALC we call our journey of becoming a Compelling Missional Disciple of Jesus the Loop.



Why the Loop?

Scripture teaches us that the work of transformation is a process, and a cyclical or spiraling process of continuous growth, that won't be fully completed in this life. Every day, God is continually molding us and taking us deeper. We believe understanding and living out the spiritual truths represented in these four areas helps us to become the kind of disciples Jesus intended.

Welcome to the Journey.

Congratulations on your decision to embark on this journey. It will be life changing if you allow it to be. On the following pages you're going to dive into a six-week journey for each of the four areas on the Loop. Each one will lay a foundation, that will help you take steps that you'll find yourself being reminded of and walking out on this life-long journey of walking with Jesus and becoming more like Him.



Curriculum 1

Part of a New Kind of Humanity

Even as little kids we had a desire to belong – to be a part of a tribe, a community, a family. It's why those in the military who go to war come back home and then volunteer to go back again. An intensely deep brotherhood was formed there that transcends status and outside influences. That's resemblant of what we as Christians are called into: A New Kind of Humanity. As we see in the book of Acts, where unity in Christ out ways individual desires and or what our culture says is true. Where being In Christ is what we are after and living united together is God's design for Humanity.

Over the next 6 weeks you will discover the family God has placed you in, so that you can embrace a new humanity He is creating so we can live out God's story the way Jesus showed us. Each week there will be areas you can take the study a little deeper into your personal devotional time. Look for the **Going Deeper** section in the lesson plan so you can do just that. We look forward to the journey together.

Intro into the series

Week 1: A New Creation in Christ

Theme: Receiving a fresh start and living a transformed life.

Key Scriptures: 2 Corinthians 5:17, Colossians 3:10, Ephesians 4:22-24

Reflection Prompt: What comes to mind when you think of living a transformed life?



Week 2: United in Christ

Theme: Experiencing the full impact of Christ's sacrifice through unity

Key Scriptures: Ephesians 4:1–6, John 13:35, Romans 8:15-17

Reflection Prompt: In what area of your life could you practice greater unity with others?

Week 3: A Call to Transformation

Theme: Living by faith and set apart from this world.

Key Scriptures: Ephesians 2:8-9, Acts 17:28, Romans 12:2, Hebrews 11:1, Galatians 5:6 and 22-23, Galatians 3:2-5, 2 Timothy 2:21.

Reflection Prompt: Why do you think it is important for us to be “set apart”?

Week 4: One New Humanity

Theme: Living reconciled with God and others through the power of the cross.

Key Scriptures: Ephesians 1:3-14, Ephesians 2:11-22

Reflection Prompt: Grab your phone and look up the word *reconciliation*. What stands out to you from the definition?

Week 5: You are Called (Kingdom Purpose)

Theme: Living out your calling as an ambassador of God's Kingdom.

Key Scriptures: Ephesians 4:1-3, 1 Corinthians 7:17, Micah 6:8, Philippians 3:12-14

Reflection Prompt: What does the word *Ambassador* mean to you?

Prayer Requests & Closing Prayer



Week 1

A New Creation in Christ

If you had the opportunity to trade in an old shirt that may be a little worn, but comfortable for a new design that was meant to fit you perfectly, would you make the change? We can sometimes get so comfortable with something that even though we know we need to change or replace it, comfort outweighs the decision to do so.

We as followers of Jesus are undergoing a radical transformation, becoming a new person in Christ. This transformation is not just a change in behavior, but a change in who we are, how we live, and how we treat those around us. The old shirt, or past you, is being replaced with the new shirt, a transformed you. It's a gift, received from faith in Jesus Christ. In essence, being a new creation in Christ is about experiencing God's grace, receiving a fresh start, and living a transformed life reflecting His nature that rests in you.

As Christ followers there is a daily invitation to put on the new tailored shirt day by day. We continue adjusting until the day it is perfect, when we meet Him face to face. The good news is we were never meant to do it alone, but through the power of the Holy Spirit and in community with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Let's explore what this transformation looks like together.

Opening Prayer

Sample prayer: *Father we all know change can be hard. Give us courage to say yes to what you have for us, even when that means it may challenge us in ways that may seem difficult. Remind us that your grace and mercy are fresh for us every morning as we continue to walk this transformational life with you.*

Let's start with a Question

“What's one thing about yourself that's changed in the last year?”



Scripture Reading

Read the following passage aloud: 2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV):

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold the new has come."

Believe your New Identity: Remind yourself daily that your identity is no longer defined by your past mistakes or failures. You are loved, accepted, and made new in Christ. Speak truth over your life—declare who you are in Christ, especially when you don't feel it.

What are some practical ways we can speak truth over your life?

Read the following passage aloud: Ephesians 4:22–24 (ESV):

"To put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness."

Let go of the Old Self: This sounds so simple. But what kinds of things make this so challenging to accomplish? What Habits need to be addressed? What are some practical ways we can do this?

Ask the Holy Spirit: to reveal thoughts, habits, or attitudes that reflect your old nature (e.g., unforgiveness, pride, insecurity, addictions). Confess them, surrender them to Jesus, and ask for help revealing new ways of thinking and living.

Read the following passage aloud: Colossians 3:10 (ESV):

"And having put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator."

Put on the New Self: Ask, "How can I reflect Jesus today?" What new habits can replace the old habits in my life? In your relationships, work life, decisions, and reactions, practice kindness, forgiveness, honesty, and love. Don't just try to be better—Intentionally choose to let Christ live through you.

Discussion Questions

1. What comes to mind when you hear I am a "new creation" in Christ?
2. According to Ephesians 4:22–24, what are we called to "put off" and "put on?"
3. What stood out to you in the verses we read and why?
4. How do you think this kind of transformation is different from simply changing our behavior?
5. What role does grace, and faith play in becoming a new creation?
6. What are some practical things we can do to help take steps toward transformation?



7. What are some ways I can help those around me with the challenges of becoming a new creation in Christ?

Make an “I Will” Statement

Encourage your life group to commit to a specific action based on what we have learned about becoming a new creation in Christ.

For example: I am struggling with discipline. I am purposefully making a routine of reading God’s Word every day for 20 minutes and then meditating on how I can apply God’s Word into my life.

Closing Encouragement

Remember: Transformation in Christ is a process. It's not about being perfect but being made new daily through God’s grace and Spirit. This is ongoing throughout our Christian journey.

Prayer Requests & Closing Prayer

Going Deeper

- Connect with another person in this group or a close Christian friend outside of this group to help keep you accountable to this step of transformation. Make a specific plan for when, where, how long, how many times you will meet.
- Re-read these scriptures throughout this week and ask the Holy Spirit to begin to show you how to apply this to your walk with the Lord and help you develop new habits.



Week 2

United in Christ

Being *United in Christ* means that all followers of Jesus, regardless of background or status, are brought together as one family through faith in Jesus. It is a spiritual unity formed by the Holy Spirit, making us Children of God, Heirs with Christ, members of one body and a witness to the world. This unity is not just an idea, it's a calling to live differently from our past and from the world, to pursue peace even when conflict arises, to support one another in trials, and to reflect God's love in action. It reminds us that we are stronger together, joined by a common Savior and a shared purpose to be a Jesus-centered community.

Opening Prayer

Let's start with this question:

Someone grab their phone and look up the definition of "allegiance" and read it out loud. Let's keep this definition in our mind as we walk through the questions this week.

Scripture Reading and Discussion Questions

Have 3 different people grab a verse and read it out loud

Romans 8:15-17 (ESV):

"For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry 'Abba! Father!' The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs-heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him."

Ephesians 4:1-6 (ESV):

"I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, There is one body and one Spirit-just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call-one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all."



John 13:35 (ESV):

“By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Discussion Questions

On Unity in Christ

- What does it mean to be united in Christ?
- How does the idea of being “one in Christ” impact the way you view your relationship with other believers?
- Ephesians 4:1-6 speaks about living in unity by being humble, gentle, and patient. How can we practically live out these qualities in our relationships with other believers?
- Why is it so important to “*make every effort*” to maintain unity in the body of Christ?
- John 13:35 says that the world will know we are disciples by our love for one another. In what ways does your love for other believers reflect your allegiance to Christ?
- How can your actions toward others be a witness of Christ's love in the world?
- What are some practical challenges you face when trying to maintain unity with others in the church or community?
- How can we overcome those challenges without compromising the unity Christ desires?

On Sharing in Christ’s Suffering and Glory

- Romans 8:17 calls us to share in Christ’s sufferings in order to share in His glory. What might that look like in our lives today in our current culture?
- Have you faced situations where following Christ led to personal sacrifice or suffering?
- How does understanding the eternal glory that awaits help you endure hardship?

On Allegiance and Fidelity to Christ

- Why do you think it is important for our allegiance to be rooted in Christ?
- What are the biggest distractions or challenges that threatening, or stealing our allegiance away from Christ?



Make an “I Will” Statement

Let’s each make a specific “I Will” commitment based on what we’ve learned about being united in Christ.

For example: *“I will pursue unity with my brothers and sisters in Christ, even when we disagree. I will choose love, listen with humility, and respond with grace.”*

Take a moment to write down your own “I Will” statement. Be specific and personal. Then, share it with the group if you're comfortable—and let’s pray over one another as we practice it this week.

Closing Encouragement

Remember: Unity doesn’t mean uniformity. It means choosing Christ over conflict, grace over division, and love over being right.

Revisit last weeks “I will” statement. How did we do?

Prayer Requests & Closing Prayer

Going Deeper

Read through the following scriptures this week with these thoughts in mind:

1. Pursuing Unity Through Character - Ephesians 4:1–6

Here believers are called to live humbly, gently, and patiently. Practically, this can mean choosing grace over judgment in conflicts, actively listening, and striving for peace even when it's difficult.

2. Expressing Love as a Witness – John 13:35

Based on John 13:35, love among believers is a testimony to the world. An action step is to show consistent, sacrificial love to others, especially when it’s inconvenient, as a way of pointing people to Christ.



3. **Standing Firm in Suffering – Romans 8:17**

This verse encourages us to embrace suffering as part of our journey with Christ. Practically, this means not retreating from hard situations or compromising faith for comfort but enduring with the hope of future glory.

4. **Fostering Supportive Community – Hebrews 10:24**

This study invites us to support each other through trials by reminding one another of our identity as God’s children and heirs with Christ. This can occur in life groups, with prayer partners, seeking out a spiritual friendship, mentor or simply being available to those who are hurting.

5. **Evaluating Allegiance Daily – 2 Timothy 2:22**

Reflecting on distractions that weaken our commitment to Christ (social media, busyness, pride, etc.) can lead to renewed discipline in prayer, Scripture, and fellowship.



Week 3

A Call to Transformation

Most of us are riveted by watching transformation take place before our eyes. From workout videos showing someone transforming their health through hard work and diet to HGTV remodeling homes into something beautiful, transformation grabs our attention! Yet when it comes to our own personal transformation, change can be a real challenge. Even so, something beautiful can take place if we stay consistent.

This week's "A Call to Transformation" is a spiritual invitation to let go of our old ways and embrace a new life in Jesus. It emphasizes that transformation is not just about outward behavior, but a deep, inner change shaped by God's truth and love. Through faith in Jesus, we become new creations, called to reflect His character in everyday life—marked by compassion, kindness, patience, and love.

This transformation is ongoing, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and supported through community, reflection, and prayer. When this happens, we “look” different and we become the light of Christ, “set apart” from those who do not follow Jesus but drawing them into the light. It is not however, an easy process, but it will always leave your soul satisfied like nothing else can!

Opening Prayer

Let's start with a question

Why do you think transformation stories are so captivating?

Scripture Reading and Discussion Questions

Read the following passage aloud: Romans 12:2 (ESV):

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.”



What is Transformation?

Have someone grab their phone and look up the definition of “transformation.”

- What are some things holding us back from allowing God to change or transform our lives?
- In what ways can we see transformation show up in our everyday life?
- Why is it so important to be consistent in our relationship with Jesus?

Identity in Christ

Read the following passage aloud: Acts 17:28 (ESV):

“In him we live and move and have our being; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we are indeed his offspring’.”

- According to Acts 17:28, how does being “in Him” shape our identity and purpose?
- When you see the phrase “set apart” what comes to your mind?

Read the following passage aloud: Ephesians 2:8-9 (ESV)

“For grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

- **Transformation begins** with salvation, which comes through faith—not works.
- Faith is how we enter a relationship with Christ, the starting point of all change.

Faith Enables Inner Change

Read the following passage aloud: Galatians 3:2-5 (ESV)

“Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? Did you suffer so many things in vain—if indeed it was in vain? Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you do so by works of the law, or by hearing with faith.”

- Our transformation is spiritual and powered by the Holy Spirit—not human effort.
- Faith keeps us dependent on God's Spirit, not self-reliance.
- How does faith enable transformation?
- Can you share a time when faith helped you take a step toward change or saying yes to God?



Read the following passage aloud: Galatians 5:6

“For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.”

Read the following passage aloud: Galatians 5:22–23

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control, against such things there is no law.”

Read the following passage aloud: Hebrew 11:1

“Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.”

A transformed life reflects **faith in action**—through love, humility, and service.

Faith Does This

Believes God's Word
Trusts the Spirit
Obeys God's call
Endures hardship

Result in Us

Mind is renewed
Heart is changed
Actions are transformed
Character is refined

Set Apart for a Purpose

Being set apart isn't about isolation—it's about **dedication**. God sets us apart **not just from something (sin, the world)** but **for something**: His mission, His glory, and His likeness. He does this so we can live out his story the way Jesus showed us.

Read the following passage aloud: 2 Timothy 2:21 (ESV):

“Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.”

Why Does Being Set Apart Matter?

- It honors God's holiness.
- It protects our witness to the world.
- It prepares us to fulfill God's purposes.
- It invites ongoing transformation by the Holy Spirit



Make an “I Will” Statement

Now, based on what we’ve learned about being *transformed* and *set apart*, make a personal, practical commitment for this week.

Example: “I will give up complaining and instead choose gratitude, so my attitude reflects the transformation God is doing in my heart.”

Or: “I will ask the Holy Spirit each morning to help me live differently today—for His purpose, not my own.”

Take a minute to pray, listen, and then complete this sentence in your own words:
“Because of what I’ve learned, I will...”

Write it down. Share it with the group. Ask someone to follow up with you during the week.

Revisit last weeks “I will” statement. How did we do?

Why this matter

When we commit to action, we move from inspiration to transformation. James 1:22 says, “*Do not merely listen to the word... Do what it says.*”

Transformation doesn’t happen by accident—it happens by intention.

Let’s be people who don’t just talk about being changed. Let’s live like it.

Prayer Requests & Closing Prayer

Invite God to renew minds, build faith, and help each person live “set apart” for His glory.

Going Deeper

- Memorize **Romans 12:2** this week.
- This week take inventory of what those things are in my life and how I need to let go of or give up those things so God can transform my life, heart, soul.



Week 4

One New Humanity

When God saved you, He didn't just change your heart — He gave you a new identity and placed you in a new family. In Christ, we're not strangers, we're siblings. We are part of one new humanity where walls come down, relationships are restored, and unity is possible.

Let's start with a question:

When was there a time you felt connected to someone who was completely different from you?

That's a glimpse of what God's family is supposed to look like — diverse, united, and centered in Christ.

Open in Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Read the following passage aloud: Ephesians 1:3–14 (ESV):

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵he predestined us[Ⓜ] for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹making known[Ⓜ]to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ[Ⓜ] ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth in him.

¹¹In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹²so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴who is the guarantee[Ⓜ] of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it,[Ⓜ] to the praise of his glory.



- You were chosen. Redeemed. Marked by the Holy Spirit.
Your identity is not random — it's rooted in God's love and grace.

Read the following passage aloud: Ephesians 2:12–22 (ESV):

¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility¹⁵ by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens,^(a) but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by^(b) the Spirit.

Jesus didn't just talk about unity — He *became* our peace. He tore down the dividing wall.

Discussion Questions:

A New Identity = A New Humanity

- What do you think Paul means by “a new humanity”?
- How has Jesus redefined your identity? (You're chosen. You belong. You're loved.)
- When your identity changes, your relationships should change too. How have you seen that?

You're not who you were. You're who God says you are.



Unity in Christ – Jesus makes us one

According to Ephesians 2:13–18, how did Jesus bring peace between people who were divided?

What walls has Jesus torn down in your life? (pride, prejudice, past pain?)

Why do you think unity is so close to God’s heart?

“God isn’t interested in building walls between people. He’s building a family.”

Living it out — Putting faith into action

We don’t just believe this message — we are called to live it. The world won’t believe the Gospel until they see it in how we treat each other.

- What are some ways we can show the world what this new humanity looks like — right here, right now?
- What’s one step you can take this week to be a bridge builder in your relationships?

Examples:

- Include someone who’s been left out
- Forgive someone who hurt you
- Invite someone different than you into your world

“The world is watching how we treat each other. If we want to win people for Jesus, we’ve got to love like Jesus.”



Make an “I Will” Statement

Encourage each group member to finish this sentence:

“Because of what I’ve learned, I will...”

- “I will forgive ____.”
- “I will invite ____ to lunch.”
- “I will listen before judging.”

Look back: How did last week’s “I Will” statement go?

Prayer and Prayer Requests

Wrap up by inviting each person to share how they feel God is stretching or growing them. What’s been your takeaway from the study so far?

Then pray for:

- Unity in the group
- Courage to break barriers
- Grace to reflect Christ in relationships

Going Deeper:

Reach out to one person this week who’s different from you — culturally, politically, socially, or spiritually — and take a step toward connection. It could be:

- Grab coffee with someone outside your circle
- Call someone you’ve been distant from
- Ask someone to share their story — and *just* listen
- Apologize. Or forgive.



Week 5

You are Called – Kingdom Purpose

We are called to something greater than ourselves. God didn't create you to just take up space, live for yourself, and retire. You were made on purpose, for a purpose — to fulfill God's Kingdom purpose right here, right now. God's Kingdom is not a future place but a present reality where God's authority is embraced, and His ways are lived out. It involves reflecting God's character through the gifts and talents He has given us and living out biblical values in our daily life. We are His ambassadors representing His message and values in this world. We are co-laborers with Christ!

Open in Prayer

Let's start with some questions

- What's one ability, passion, or gift you believe God has given you?
- Share a time when you sensed God nudging you toward something bigger than yourself.

CALLED TO LIVE ON MISSION

Read the following passage aloud: Micah 6:8 (ESV)

"He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God."

DISCUSS:

- Which of these three (justice, mercy, humility) comes easiest to you?
- Which stretches you the most?
- How would your relationships change if you lived this verse daily?

Read the following passage aloud: 1 Corinthians 7:17

"Only let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him."



DISCUSS:

- What season of life are you in right now?
- How might God want to use this season – even if it’s hard?
- What does this verse teach us about purpose wherever we are?

Read the following passage aloud: Ephesians 4:1-3

“I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.”

DISCUSS:

- What do you think a “worthy life” looks like in today’s world?
- How are humility, patience, and unity essential to living out your calling?
- Why is unity with each other always the goal?
- How can disunity distract us from what God is calling us as a church to do?

Read the following passage aloud: Philippians 3:12-14

“Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”

DISCUSS:

- What goal are you chasing — God’s or your own?
- What keeps you pressing forward when life gets hard?

LIVING WITH KINGDOM PURPOSE – REAL-LIFE APPLICATION

- Where do you sense God is calling you to shine His light - work, family, neighborhood?
- How are you using your unique SHAPE (Spiritual gifts, Heart, Abilities, Personality, Experiences) to serve God and others?
- Is there a step of faith you’ve been putting off? What’s holding you back?



Make an “I Will” Statement

Challenge each person to make an “I Will” commitment this week. Encourage something specific and doable.

Example - Ask yourself:

- I will start each day asking, ‘God, show me how I can serve You today?’”
- I will speak life and hope into my workplace by _____.”
- I will say yes to God’s nudge, even if it feels challenging.”

Revisit last week’s “I Will” statements. How did it go? What did you learn?

Prayer & Commitment

Invite each person to share one area where they feel God is growing or challenging them. Close in prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to empower your group to live lives reflecting the love, character, and mission of Jesus.

“You are not called to comfort — you’re called to a cause greater than yourself.” – Rick Warren

Going Deeper:

Ask everyone to write down one area where they will intentionally live out their calling this week.

Pair up for accountability — check in with each other midweek.

