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OWN THE MISSION

Belong,
Become,
Be Sent.

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Part 1: United in Purpose and Passion

Scripture: Matt. 28:16-20; Eph. 4:11-16

Series Introduction:

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1. United in PURPOSE:

A. What is The Great Commission : (Matt. 28:16-20)

“Go”

“make disciples” Grk = mathetes

“baptizing them”

“teaching them”

“to observe”

“all that I have commanded you”

B. What is THE Work of the MINISTRY: (Eph. 4:11-16)

Never Separate the Great COMMISSION from the Great Commandment

2. United in PASSION: (Matt. 22:34-40)

A. Love God with YOUR ENTIRE BEING

B. Love OTHERS: Both/And (Eph. 4:11-16)

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NOTE: Don't blow through the questions. Be painfully practical and courageously honest with each one. Engage others in many ongoing discussions over extended periods of time. Go slow and deep. Not fast and shallow.

Our Individual AND Collective Role in the Mission:

1. Have you personally understood *the Great Commission* as a command directed primarily towards a select few who are "sent out," or as the mission entrusted to every believer wherever they go? What influenced this understanding?
2. Does the literal interpretation of Jesus' command challenge you to think differently about your role? In what ways?
3. What specific steps can you take to embrace and take ownership of the mission Jesus gave to all His disciples?
 - Daily: What habits or actions would help you live missionally each and every day?
 - Weekly: How can you intentionally engage others with the love and message of Christ every week?
 - Monthly: What opportunities could you join or start to be part of the advancing of God's Kingdom?
 - Annually: What larger commitments, goals, or experiences would help you grow in living out the mission?
4. How can you better embrace in the mission, both individually and collectively (with family, friends, small groups, local church, community)?

Rescuers Reaching Out AND In:

1. In the past, when you heard the word "evangelism", did you think of sharing the gospel with unbelievers as the primary action? How does sharing the good news with those already saved alter your understanding?
2. How do the similarities and/or differences between outreach and discipleship encourage, or challenge you to grow in your actively sharing the good news of Jesus more with believers and unbelievers alike?
3. In what specific ways can you become more intentional and effective in sharing your faith with others—whether true believers in Jesus or not - in practical ways which honor God and clearly reflect Christ?
4. What practical steps can you take to grow in your ability to share the gospel, encourage others, and build meaningful spiritual conversations with those around you?

As You ARE Going:

1. In first-century culture, people had to physically be on the move if they were to live, which made being on the go a natural part of everyday life. How does this compare to the culture in which we live today? In what way(s) is our culture similar as well as different from the one in which Jesus and the first century church lived?
2. How might such differences between the culture, and the call to be holy affect how we go about the mission?
3. What opportunities already exist in your daily routines, relationships, and communities where you can engage with others and communicate the message of the gospel in a loving way?
4. How can you cultivate a lifestyle of "going" rather than waiting for opportunities to come to you? What specific steps can you take to be more deliberate in going to where the people are?

Our Passion(s) AND Purpose(s):

1. In what ways do your various roles and responsibilities (e.g. as a spouse, parent, employee, employer, student, friend, etc.) support or challenge your participation in the mission of moving others closer to Christ?
2. How can you better reconcile/align personal priorities, goals, desires, interests, and passions with the paramount purpose and passion God has called us to embrace?
3. How can you use your unique gifts, passions, vocation, and life circumstances as avenues for advancing God's kingdom and fulfilling His mission rather than "doing your own thing"?
4. What is one practical step you can take to keep God's mission central as you pursue other priorities, passions, and responsibilities wherever God has you at this point in your walk with Him?

BOTH/AND: Before answering the next 4 questions, watch Peter Heck's message "*Both/And*" at: tinyurl.com/bothandpheck

1. All of us tend to lean towards truth or grace/love? Which way do you most often lean? Why is that?
2. How does a biblical view of both TRUTH & GRACE challenge and/or change our engagement with others?
3. How do we practically maintain 100% truth with 100% grace, and not compromise both in a 50/50 balance?
4. How do we focus more on what separates others from Jesus rather than becoming so easily sidetracked by those things which separate us from those who think/live diametrically different from us?