

The Church Has Left The Building

1. Missional Motivation

Key Point: our primary motive for being missional is a passion for the glory of God

Connect Group Questions

This series is designed to get us thinking about what it means to be “on mission” with God.

- To be an outward, mission-shaped-church (“missional”).

Definition of “Missional”:

“Being missional means actually doing mission right where you are. Missional means adopting the posture of a missionary, learning and adapting to the culture around you while remaining biblically sound.” Ed Stetzer, Missiologist

We begin by thinking about our motives for being involved in mission. What should be our primary motive for telling others about Jesus? What is it that drives us to want to be outward focused and missional? Having the right motive is essential. The right motive will sustain our work for Jesus for generations, even during dark days; the wrong motives will not sustain our work for even one generation.

1. Begin by recalling what you remember from the sermon? Key words, ideas, thoughts, pictures etc.
2. What did you find most challenging, helpful or troubling?
3. Name some bad motives for being involved in missions/evangelism?
4. What are some good reasons?
5. John 17:1-5, 24 - what is the key thought filling Jesus’ mind? What does He desire?
6. Ephesians 1:11-12, 14 - what is the ultimate purpose for the church?
7. John Piper describes God’s glory as: “Holy perfection going public”. Try to put into words what you think is meant by “God’s glory”.
8. Is God an egomaniac for wanting to glorify Himself?
9. 1 Corinthians 10:31 – How can you as a Connect Group bring glory to God?
10. Pray as a group using the “Missionary Heart” below to inspire you.

The Missionary Heart:

Care more than some think is wise.

Risk more than some think is safe.

Dream more than some think is practical.

Expect more than some think is possible.