

SHARING JESUS...with our _____

"We plead on Christ's behalf, 'Be reconciled to God!'" (2 Cor. 5:20b, HCSB)

- Recognizing that people can't be saved unless they _____ and _____ the _____.

"For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent?" (Rom. 10:13-15, NLT)

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes...." (Rom. 1:16)

- Watching for _____ - _____ to share the truth of the gospel with _____.

"...praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word...that I may make it clear in the way I ought to speak. Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity. Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person." (Col. 4:3-6)

*"Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it."
(1 Pet. 3:15, NLT)*

"He then answered, ...one thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." (John 9:25)

- Relying on the _____ for _____.

"...and also [pray] for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel...that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak." (Eph. 6:19-20, ESV)

"...but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses...." (Acts 1:8)

- _____ as part of an ongoing _____.

"What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave opportunity to each one. I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth....For we are God's fellow workers...." (1 Cor. 3:5-6,9)

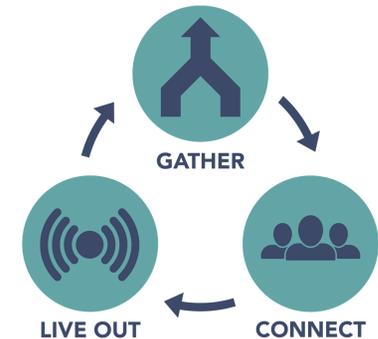
(sermon notes)



LIVE OUT the MISSION - Part 2 -

Our Strategy

...for being RIVERS
- not reservoirs



Our mission is helping people come together
to live out the love of Jesus.

As the _____ of _____,
we have a _____ to _____ together.

"Everything is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. That is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed the message of reconciliation to us. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, certain that God is appealing through us. We plead on Christ's behalf, 'Be reconciled to God.' He made the One who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." (2 Cor. 5:18-21, HCSB)

We LIVE OUT the MISSION together by...

SERVING on teams and **GIVING**

SHOWING and **SHARING JESUS** in our world

SHOWING & SHARING JESUS IN OUR WORLD

OUR WORLD includes . . .

- our _____ circles of influence — _____, _____, _____, acquaintances, etc.
- the _____ our church is a part of.
- the entire _____ our community.

“...and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)

“For God so loved the world...” (John 3:16)

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations...” (Matt. 28:19-20)

SHOWING JESUS...with our _____

“You are the salt of the earth...You are the light of world...Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.” (Matt. 5:13-16)

- _____ people in our world through _____ and _____ about them with _____.

“Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.’” (Matt. 9:36-38)

“When He approached Jerusalem, He saw the city and wept over it...” (Luke 19:41)

- Being the _____ and _____ of _____ in our world as we meet _____ in His name.

“Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.” (1 John 3:18)

“Then the King will say to those on His right, ‘Come, you who are blessed of My Father...for I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me....Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.’” (Matt. 25:34-40)

“If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food, and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace, be warmed and be filled, and yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that? Even so faith, if it has no works, is dead, being by itself.’” (James 2:15-17)

“Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.” (James 1:27)

“They only asked us to remember the poor—the very thing I also was eager to do.” (Gal. 2:10)

- Treating every person with _____ - _____ and respectfulness.

“In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you....” (Matt. 7:12, also Luke 6:31)

“And Jesus said to her, ‘Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more.’” (John 8:11)

- Reaching _____, crossing _____, and building _____ with those who need the Lord.

“Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, ‘How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?’ (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)” (John 4:9)

“...they said to His disciples, ‘Why is He eating and drinking with tax collectors and sinners?’” (Mark 2:17b)

- Living lives of _____ — in _____ to God and in _____ with each other.

“...that you may be blameless innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,” (Phil. 2:15, ESV)

“We put no stumbling block in anyone’s path, so that our ministry will not be discredited.” (2 Cor. 6:3, NIV)

“By this all men will know that you are My disciples if you have love for one another.” (John 13:35)

