

OWN & LIVE OUT THE MISSION

WE ALL HAVE A PART TO PLAY

What does it mean to OWN & LIVE OUT THE MISSION?

Being part of The Journey isn't about a weekly event or a building, it's about living out the mission. God has given us a mission to love Him, love people, & help people experience their best life in a relationship with Jesus. We each need to take ownership of God's mission because together we can accomplish more.

We each have unique opportunities and relationships where we can be used by God to make a big difference. So we put purpose over our personal preference and realize that "it's not about me." God has a history of doing extraordinary things through ordinary people who are willing to trust Him, dream big, risk big, and make a difference.

We will live on mission to help everyone experience their best life in relationships, not religion.

Read the following Bible passages and reflect on how it speaks about Owning and Living Out the Mission and how you can take steps in this area: 1 Corinthians 12-13, Romans 12, Acts 2:42-47, Matthew 26:36-44

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." *Matthew 28:19*

STEPS & RESOURCES

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WHO ARE YOU BECOMING?

We have a variety of tools & resources, but it's really about who you are becoming. We don't want to check off a list of things to do. It's about Jesus changing our lives & perspectives; then having our actions follow that change of heart. All of the Core Essentials are designed to capture the vision for who you are becoming. They are a guideline to help take steps in relationships not religion so you can experience your best life.



3 KEY RELATIONSHIPS

If we are going to own & live out the mission, it will be connected to 3 key relationships. We want to continue to take next steps with Jesus. We need be in relationships with other people who are connected with Jesus. It's about encouraging each other through life where you help others & others help you. We also need to be investing in people who are disconnected from Jesus to help them find life in a relationship with Him. We all need to take intentional steps in these areas in our day-to-day life. What's your next step in your relationship with Jesus? Do you have a few people you are doing life with? Is there someone you are investing in so they can find their best life in a relationship with Jesus?

PLAY YOUR PART

We have a variety of roles to help accomplish the mission at The Journey. Check out options like Volunteering, Networks, Prayer Team, and Groups for ways to step in and play a part of God's mission at church.

PRAYING, LISTENING, SEEKING

Owning & living out the mission, means taking time to:

- -Pray: connect with Jesus, pray for others, ask for opportunities to live out the mission.
- **-Listen:** listen for God's guidance, listen to people & look for opportunities to share God's love and message.
- **-Seek:** look for ways to add more of Jesus in your life & create opportunities to care for people and share God's story.

QUESTIONS & REFLECTIONS

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Think through the Core Essentials. As you live out the mission, who are you becoming?

How has your relationship with Jesus changed your life?

How do you see Jesus helping you experience your best life?

How do you need to put purpose over preference in your life and for the mission at The Journey?

How do you see the 3 key relationships in your life? Are you more focused on one than the others? In which relationships do you need to take some more steps?

In Matthew 26, Jesus prayed "not my will, but Yours be done". What would that mean for your life to own & live out a prayer like that.... not my will but God's be done?

HERE ARE SOME BOOKS THAT CAN HELP YOU OWN & LIVE OUT THE MISSION:

- -If You Want to Walk on Water You Need to Get Out of The Boat by John Ortberg
- -In a Pit With a Lion on a Snowy Day by Mark Batterson
- -Renegade by Vince Antonucci
- -Crazy Love by Francis Chan
- -All in by Mark Batterson

