



RE: PURPOSE

PART 3: Follow Fearlessly

INTRODUCTION

A church's mission statement is essentially its statement of purpose. It serves as a guide for all of the church's decision-making. Volunteers, leaders, guests and staff are

generally the target of the mission. It should help those serving within the organization know what decisions and tasks best align with the mission of the church. A mission statement offers insight into what the primary purpose of the church is.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. During the message Jason talked about how we can sometimes become overwhelmed by things in our lives when we look at all that has to be done in order to complete the whole project. Things like raising a child or doing our tax return. What is something that can make you feel overwhelmed?**
- 2. During the message Jason said that we often times don't begin a project because we don't know where to start and we need a template to follow. Has using a template ever helped you to get started on a project or task that seemed overwhelming?**
- 3. Being a fearless follower can sometimes feel overwhelming, but Jesus gave us a starting point or template if you will. Read Matthew 28:16-20. What are the steps Jesus gave his disciples? What was the first step He gave them?**
- 4. During the message Jason said that Jesus began with baptism because He knows we all struggle with fear. The fear of what others think of us controls so much of our lives and if we can't overcome that fear we have no chance of following Him fearlessly. How does fear hold you back from following Jesus fearlessly?**
- 5. Each of us have a next step in our journey of following Jesus fearlessly. For some of us it is baptism, for some it is starting to serve or give. What is your next step and how can this group help you take that step?**

MOVING FORWARD

Jesus never promised that following Him would be easy and comfortable, in fact He said it would involve suffering and hardship. That's why it takes overcoming our fear to truly follow Him and taking a step of faith puts you on the path to being fearless.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

**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, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.
Matthew 28:19-20 NIV**