

Living Out Our Calling: Timing Is Not Everything

Read together Luke 24:45-49, Acts 1:7-8

The kingdom that Jesus is establishing was different from the kingdom that the early church was looking to build. Jesus' kingdom is an inside-out kingdom that transforms us to have an outward focused ministry. These truths can help us to refocus our energies that we might align better with God's purpose for our lives.

1. What was the most significant take-away from this last Sunday's sermon?
2. In Acts 1 verse 4, Jesus knew that the Holy Spirit was so essential for the mission of evangelism that he commanded the early church to wait until they were filled with the Holy Spirit before they attempted to be obey this mission. Would you describe yourself as being dependent on the Holy Spirit in your own personal outreach ministry? How is that dependence shown in your life?
3. In order to be effective in living for the kingdom of God, we have to set aside the desires to make our own kingdom. What are some things you may have to let go of in order to live for the kingdom of God?
4. Why was it necessary for the church to endure persecution in Acts 8:1-8?
5. What is one step of obedience that you believe God is calling you to do in response to the truths expressed in this talk?

Sharing/Caring Questions

1. What has God been showing you this past week through His word, through life situations at home, work, church, or through other means?
2. Are there any things in your life or family we can celebrate together - spiritual or otherwise?
3. Are there any struggles or hardships in your life or family that we can pray for - spiritual or otherwise?
4. Are there any other prayer requests or specific areas the group can pray for?