

Lifegroup Study Question
"Marks of the Missional Church"
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There are two essentials that make up missional communities, 1. Gospel-centeredness (Christocentric) and 2. Community. When Gospel is central, we become people who live by the Word and when we are people who live by the Word, we carry out the mission of Christ. As most all of us would agree, American Evangelicals are really good about community and being Gospel minded, but struggle with how this should work itself out. With that said, there will be one question that comes from the teaching this week:

What needs to change, be re-evaluated, re-considered or eliminated in order for us to become wholly missional with our lives? (This can be answered for us as individuals but also corporately)

I trust that question alone, could be discussed for hours. Although the true purpose of this question being dialogued over is to produce practical, tangible ideas as to what it would look like for us to set the studies aside and act on our call to mission. Use the verses below as encouraging exhortations:

From sermon: John 10:10, 12:27-36, 20:30-31, Romans 5:12-21

Other helpful/related texts: Matthew 4:18-22, Matthew 20:25-28, Luke 4:42-44, Luke 19:1-10, John 17:13-26, 1 Thessalonians 1:2-10, Acts 17, Luke 9-11, Jeremiah 29:4-7, John 20:21, Genesis 12, Acts 2

Book Resources for "Marks of the Missional Church": *Vintage Church* by Mark Driscoll, *Breaking the Missional Code and Comeback Churches* by Ed Stetzer and *The Reason for God* by Timothy Keller