



Webinar Leader's Guide



Mission

Question: Do people understand God's purpose for their lives and that God wants them to participate in His mission?

BEGIN AT HOME: Our mission begins at home, and it extends to our neighbors, communities and crosses borders to overseas. This is the Command Mission of God; to reach all people, everywhere. When we become believers, we enter the family business and become a part of what God is doing in the earth redemptively. Every day, in all things, we are on mission and have a purpose.

FIRST STEPS: When discipling a new believer, part of the first steps is to let them know that the mission of God has reached them with a purpose. As they discover their place and giftings within the body of Christ, they also learn how they can implement and employ them into the mission of God. It is a self-discovery of how their story fits and aligns with the larger narrative of what God is doing redemptively.

LIVING ON MISSION: Living on mission ties us into a larger purpose for our lives and creates a template that we can align our lives with. It influences our daily decision making and prevents us from being discipled in a vacuum that would isolate us from knowing the greater purpose of why we do what we do.

PROCLAIM!: Proclaim the Good News to others and share your story of how God has transformed your life. There is power in your personal testimony.

Question: Are we empowering and equipping our congregation for daily service so they may recognize that their work week is part of God's mission and why the church exists? Are we equipping them for daily service?

START BY BEING FRIENDLY: To live on mission in our lives, we can start by being friendly to others around us and God will open the door for the next step. Look for opportunities to engage with people in conversation, and it will eventually become natural to share your faith.

SHORT TERM MISSIONS: A short term missions trip helps us to experience the historical work of the mission of God.

MISSION CULTURE: It is easy to give in to the existing culture around you, and hard to fight against it. Be a missions culture church, and others who join you will catch the vision and get caught up in the missions culture and become mission focused.

SHIFT THE CULTURE: A culture is a combination of values. To shift a culture, we start by devaluing one thing and valuing another and eventually the culture will shift.



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Discussion Questions

Take a few minutes to continue this conversation with your team

1. Do we understand Missio Dei, God's mission, and that He reached us with a purpose? What is my part of His mission?
2. Are we obeying the Command Mission of God by reaching those close to us in proximity and expanding out to other cultures and overseas?
3. Discipling missions means that we don't just do missions, but we raise up, train and empower the next generation to do missions as well. How are we doing as a church discipling the next generation to identify their place in God's mission and purpose for their lives?
4. Is our church a missions culture church? If not, how can we shift the culture?

Resource Highlights

- Assemblies of God World Missions: <https://www.agwm.org/> and Wideopenmissions.org
- Assemblies of God US Missions: <https://usmissions.ag.org/>
 - Other ministries: Adult and Teen Challenge, Chaplaincy Ministries, Chi Alpha Campus Ministries, Church Mobilization, Intercultural Ministries, US Specialized and Youth Alive
- BGMC: Boys and Girls Missionary Challenge: <https://bgmc.ag.org/>
- STL: Speed the Light: <https://youth.ag.org/participate/speed-the-light/>
- Light the Way: <https://women.ag.org/light-the-way>
- Light for the Lost: <https://lftl.ag.org/>
- Bible Fact-Pack Question Cards: <https://myhealthychurch.com/store/startitem.cfm?item=17772>
- Fire Bible (all ages): <https://myhealthychurch.com/store/searchresults.cfm?Criteria=Fire+Bible&image.x=0&image.y=0>
- Bible Engagement Project: <https://bibleengagementproject.com/>