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R - Reaching millions of unchurched persons for Christ is our mission because lost people matter to God.

I - Inspirational and Incarnational Worship that is relevant and authentic is at the heart of who we are as we help people encounter the Living God each week.

S - Small Groups are the best place for life change and spiritual growth.

T - Teaching and Training worshipers to be outward focused by giving away 25% of our income beyond the local church and planting one new church or campus every three years.

Once when the disciples were turning away parents with children, Jesus rebuked them and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it" (Mark 10:14-15). Then Jesus lived into His own words. He welcomed the little children, took them in His arms and blessed them.

1. How is the Lord calling you to "bless" the little ones around you? Are you being faithful in the public and private places of your heart? Are you inspiring faithfulness in the lives of those who look up to you?

Jesus modeled teaching, healing, and proclaiming the Gospel. "When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field'" (Matthew 9:36-38). Jesus immediately lived into His own words by sending out His disciples, giving them authority over unclean spirits, sickness, and disease (see Matthew 10:1).

2. Deuteronomy 6:5 says: "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." Jesus focused not on success, but faithfulness to the Father. How would you contrast worldly success with godly success?

Read Mark 8:22-26

3. Healing happens through confession and coming clean. Sometimes you have to leave the village and "not return to it" on your way home. What area of your life needs healing? Are there people, places, or things you need to leave in order to get well?

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