

WHY WE
LOVE
THIS CHURCH

Introduction

In part 2, Pastors Jamie and Kim explain why "ringing the bell" together is central to Vineyard's identity: everything the church does is aimed at helping people come to know Jesus in a life-changing way. They describe how hospitality, outreach, baptisms, serving the city, and welcoming broken people all flow from that mission.

They also challenge us to keep partnering together through service, prayer, generosity, and invitation so more people can find hope in Christ.

Part 2: Because We Ring The Bell Together

Philippians 1:3-6
3I thank my God every time I remember you. 4In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy 5because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, 6being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

1 Corinthians 3:7
7So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow.

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Message notes:

This is our mission. This is our _____ from God.

We ring the bell as a _____.

We have one goal in mind: that we're planting seeds, we're sowing seeds, all so that we can _____ that _____.

Everything is done with the understanding that it's not about _____.

They know that this is a place that people can find the _____ and the gospel.

Our vision has been to love this whole _____.

We want people to get to know Jesus, to grow in Jesus, to learn to be a _____ of Jesus.

When we win, we win _____.

Additional notes:

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Discussion Questions:

1. Paul's words in Philippians 1 emphasize partnership in the Gospel from the first day until now. How does genuine partnership in the Gospel, in practical terms, differ from simply attending church?

2. Pastors Kim and Jamie describe the church's mission as being centered on 'ringing the bell', bringing people to Jesus. Where might God be inviting you to serve so that your gifts can help create the kind of environment where someone encounters Jesus and we get to "ring the bell" together?

3. The founding of the Philippian church in Acts 16 included a businesswoman, a formerly demonized young woman, and a jailer—a remarkably diverse group! This diversity tells us a lot about who God chooses to build His church with. How should that shape who we welcome?

4. The message describes creating an atmosphere of dignity at Thursday Dinner Church, rather than running a traditional soup kitchen. How does the way we serve others reflect our belief about human worth and the image of God in every person?

5. The video of Daelyn imitating a baptism in her backyard pool illustrates how faith is caught as much as it is taught. What practices or moments in your own life are you modeling for the next generation, intentionally or otherwise?

Ministry Time:

Pray for anyone who's struggling to carry a sense of personal mission. Ask God to highlight the people around them who need to know that Jesus loves them.

Pray for anyone who has grown discouraged because they cannot see the fruit of their life or ministry. Ask the Holy Spirit to remind them that our role is to partner with Jesus, as He is the One who will complete the work. Pray for encouragement to stay faithful in planting and in watering while trusting God with the increase.