

**THE
TANGIBLE KINGDOM
OF GOD**

1 John 2:3-6

(VOICE)

We know *we have joined Him in an intimate relationship* because *we live out His commands*.

⁴ If someone claims, “I am in an intimate relationship with Him,” but this big talker doesn’t live out His commands, then this individual is a liar and a stranger to the truth. ⁵ But if someone responds to and obeys His word, then God’s love has truly taken root and filled him.

This is how we know we are in an intimate relationship with Him:

⁶ anyone who says, “*I live in intimacy with Him,*” should *walk the path Jesus walked*.



*The more we behold **Christ** the more we become like **Christ***

Effective disciple makers [Missional Christians]

point people **to Christ**-

Everything they do points **to Christ** -

Not themselves, not a church, not a method,

not a book... **[In] Christ... Alone**

*How do we become **disciples of Christ**...?*

*By **[intimately]** seeing **[beholding]** more and more **of Christ**.*

In Christ Alone

1 John 1:1-4

(NLT)

We proclaim to you the one who existed from the beginning, whom we have heard and seen. We saw Him with our own eyes and touched Him with our own hands. He is the Word of life.

² This one who is life itself was revealed to us, and we have seen Him.

And now we testify and proclaim to you that He is the one who is eternal life.

He was with the Father, and then He was revealed to us. ³ We proclaim to you what we ourselves have actually seen and heard so that you may have fellowship with us.

And our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son, Jesus Christ.

⁴ We are writing these things so that you may fully share our joy.



1 John 1:1-4

(MSG)

From the very first day,
we were there, taking it all in—we heard it with our own ears,
saw it with our own eyes, verified it with our own hands. The Word of Life
appeared right before our eyes; we saw it happen! And now we're telling you
in most sober prose that what we witnessed was, incredibly, this:
The infinite Life of God Himself took shape before us.

³⁻⁴ We saw it, we heard it, and now *we're telling you so you can experience it along with us,*
this *experience of communion with the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ.*

Our motive for writing is simply this: We want you to enjoy this, too.

Your joy will double our joy!



CHURCH AT THE RANCH

LAST SUNDAY

We are *Made* New

We have a *Mission*

If we have a Mission - We are *Missionaries*

We are *Missional* Missionaries –

“They Are Christians who recognize that they have been sent as Christian *missionaries* by Jesus with the Good News of Salvation together *in community* with all believers to their *specific geographic* and *cultural context*. They *align* themselves with *Jesus’ missionary purposes* (the Great Commission) and engage in activities and practices which will serve those around them by *visibly displaying* the love of Jesus.

They *intentionally develop habits* which engage people in their neighborhoods and workplaces, and they use *their homes* as a place to *invite others into their lives*. As *local missionaries*, they seek to communicate the truth of Jesus in the *language of the culture*.

They are *God’s [Missional] missionary people.*”

Dr. Dave DeVries-author and founder of Missional Challenge



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