

THE
TANGIBLE KINGDOM
OF GOD

LAST WEEK

A vibrant display of fireworks exploding in a dark night sky. The fireworks are primarily blue and purple, with some orange and yellow bursts. The word "FREE-DOM" is overlaid in a stylized, white, serif font with a black outline, centered horizontally and slightly above the middle vertically. The background is a deep black, making the bright colors of the fireworks stand out prominently.

“FREE-DOM”

Free:

Not under the **control** or in the **power** of **another** (not in bondage- Paid)

Free-dom:

The **quality** or **state** of **being free** (Actually Living the bondage *free* life)

Galatians 5:1

(TPT)

Let me be clear, ***the Anointed One has set us free—***
not partially, but ***completely*** and ***wonderfully free!***

We must always cherish this truth and
stubbornly refuse to go back into the bondage of our past.



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PART 6

MISSON vs MISSIONAL

THE TANGIBLE KINGDOM...

Overview

What are some of the **Topics** we are going to be covering...

What is **Missional**?

What is **Together**?

What is **Incarnational**?

What is **The Gospel**?

What is **Oneness**?

What is **Individualism**?

What is **Community**?

What is **Living Out** vs **Living In**?

What is an **Apprentice**?

What is **Otherness**?

What is **The Intuitive Life**?



Our Core Values (*paraphrased*)

- The Bible:** God's word is our standard and final authority in all things.
- Worship:** Worship is the first priority in our relationship with God.
- Prayer:** Prayer is our lifeline to God as individuals and the Body.
- Lifestyle:** Jesus is Lord; therefore our lives will be shaped by the values of His Kingdom.
- Family:** Marriage and family is God's design and the foundational institution on earth.
- Leadership:** A plurality of elders is the New Testament pattern for church leadership.
- Stewardship:** All we have is from God, belongs to God and is to be used for His purposes.
- Spiritual Gifts:** The gifts are to edify the body, equip it for ministry and glorify Jesus.
- Equipping & Ministry:** All Christians are to become equipped for ministry.
- Women:** We affirm women as full partners in the gifts and ministry of our Lord.
- Evangelism & Discipleship:** We will share the Gospel and disciple those who follow Jesus.
- Small Groups:** This is our structure for Body ministry and to encourage personal growth.
- Miracles:** Miracles testify to a changeless God whose works of power continue today.
- Healing:** God is our healer, regardless of the means of delivery.



Our Mission

To **Know** Christ Jesus,
To **Express** His Kingdom on Earth,
And **Make Him known** Throughout the World.

Our Vision

“Equipping for Ministry”

In obedience to Jesus' Great Commission, we choose to be a Bible directed, Spirit led, worshiping, praying, growing fellowship where ministry flows from the Ephesians 4 principles. We desire to identify, call out, equip and release each member to a ministry lifestyle reflecting their identity in Christ.



Mission - noun

- : A special assignment or duty given to **a person** or **group of people**
- : A **combat operation** assigned to a person or military unit.
- : The **task, together with the purpose**, that clearly **indicates the action** to be taken and **the reason** therefore.

Mission - verb

- : **to send** on or entrust with a mission
- : to carry on a religious mission among or in
- : the special **task** or **purpose** for which **a person** is **apparently destined in life**; **calling**



Baker's Evangelical Dictionary of Biblical Theology – “Mission”

Basic Definition of Mission:

is the divine activity of sending intermediaries, whether supernatural or human, to speak or do **God's will** so that **His** purposes for **judgment** or **redemption** are furthered.

The Biblical concept of Mission :

is expressed by the use of verbs meaning “**to send**,” normally with God as the expressed subject. The Hebrew verb is *salah* [j;l'v] and the Greek is *a-pos-tell-o* [ajpostevllw].

These terms emphasize the **authoritative, commissioning** relationship involved.

The Scriptures also employ *a-pos-tol-os* [ajpovstolo"] (“**apostle**,” **the one sent**) and *a-pos-tole* [ajpostolhv] (“**apostleship**,” the function of being sent), referring to the one sent and his function.

In other words...



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comprehends the **authority** of *the one who sends*; the **obedience** of *the one sent*;
a **task** to be **accomplished**; the **power** to **accomplish the task**;
and a **purpose** within the **moral framework of God's**
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Let's see how Jesus fulfills this...



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Jesus fulfilling The Biblical concept of Mission:

John 5:37

(TPT)

And my Father Himself, **who gave me this mission**, has also **testified that I am his Son**.
But you have never heard his voice nor seen his face,

John 4:34

(VOICE)

Jesus: I receive My nourishment **by serving the will** of the Father who sent Me and
completing His work

John 9:4

(TPT)

While I am with you, it is daytime and **we** must do **the works of God who sent me** while the
light shines. For there is coming a dark night when no one will be able to work.



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Jesus *after completing His mission* then proceeded to send His followers
on a “mission” with the same authority and the same tasks.

Jesus designated them... They were “a-pos-tol-os”(apostles), “the ones sent”.

This commissioning *is not limited to the twelve apostles*.

The Gospel of John and Matthew presents

Jesus as commissioning *all disciples* with the same *mission*.



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John 20:21-22

(TPT)

Jesus repeated his greeting, "Peace to you!" And he told them,

"Just *as the Father has sent me, I'm now sending you.*"

²² Then, taking a deep breath, He blew on them and said, "*Receive the Holy Spirit*".

Matthew 28:18-20

Then Jesus came close to them and said, "*All the authority of the universe has been given to Me.*

¹⁹ Now *go in my authority* and *make disciples of all nations*, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ And teach them *to faithfully follow all that I have commanded you*. And never forget that I am with you every day, even to the completion of this age."



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Those embracing the Biblical concept of Mission understand *mission*:

“As our participating in being sent by God”

Mission is not, therefore, primarily an activity of the church, but:

“An attribute of God”

Mission is *a movement of God* to the world,
the church being *the instrument* for *mission*.

There *is church* because *there is mission*, not vice versa.



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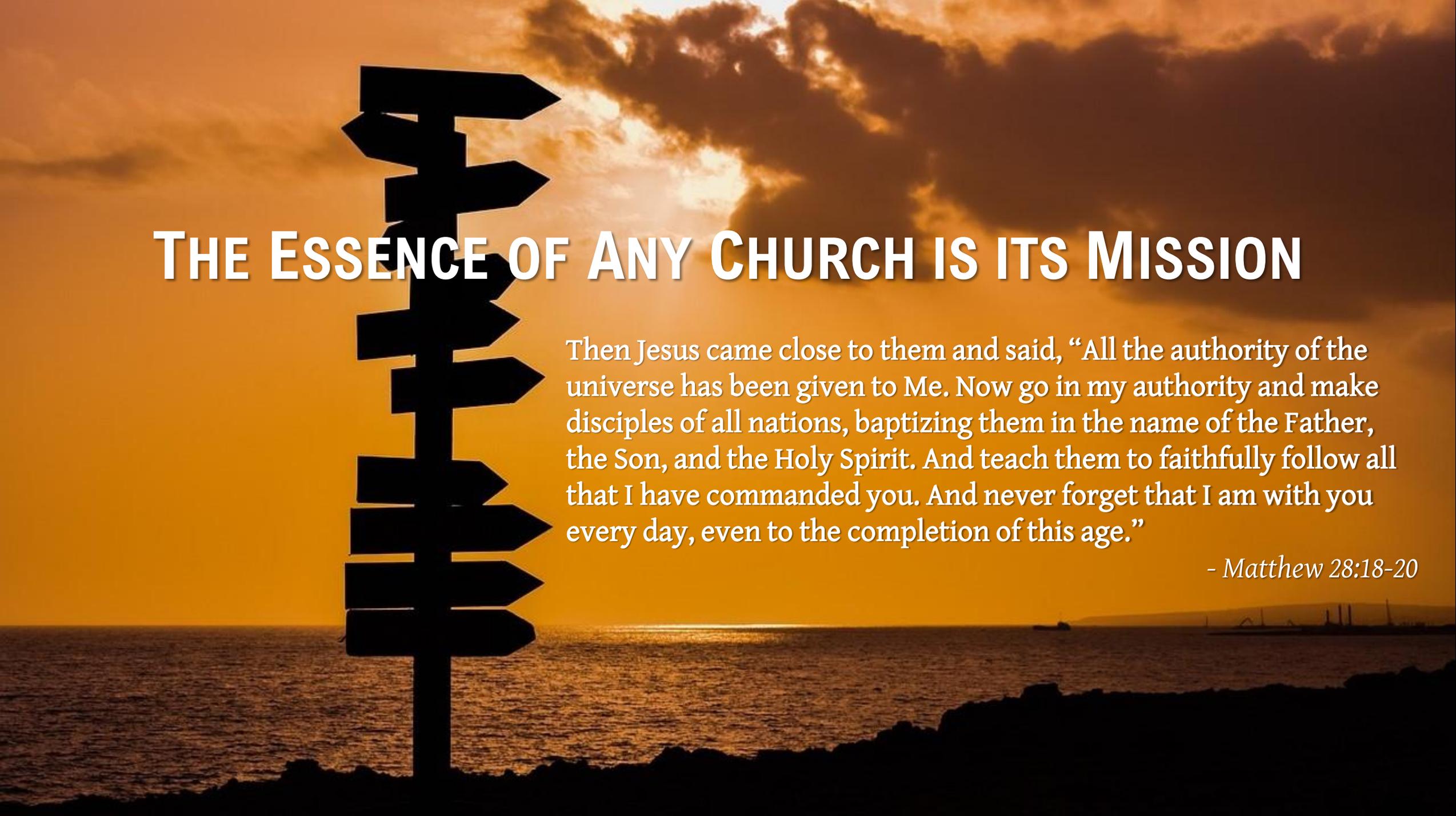
“The church has *a mission!*” is the shout...

According to *missional theology* a more correct statement would be

“The *Mission* has *a church!*”

Alan Hirsch - author and leader in the missional church movement





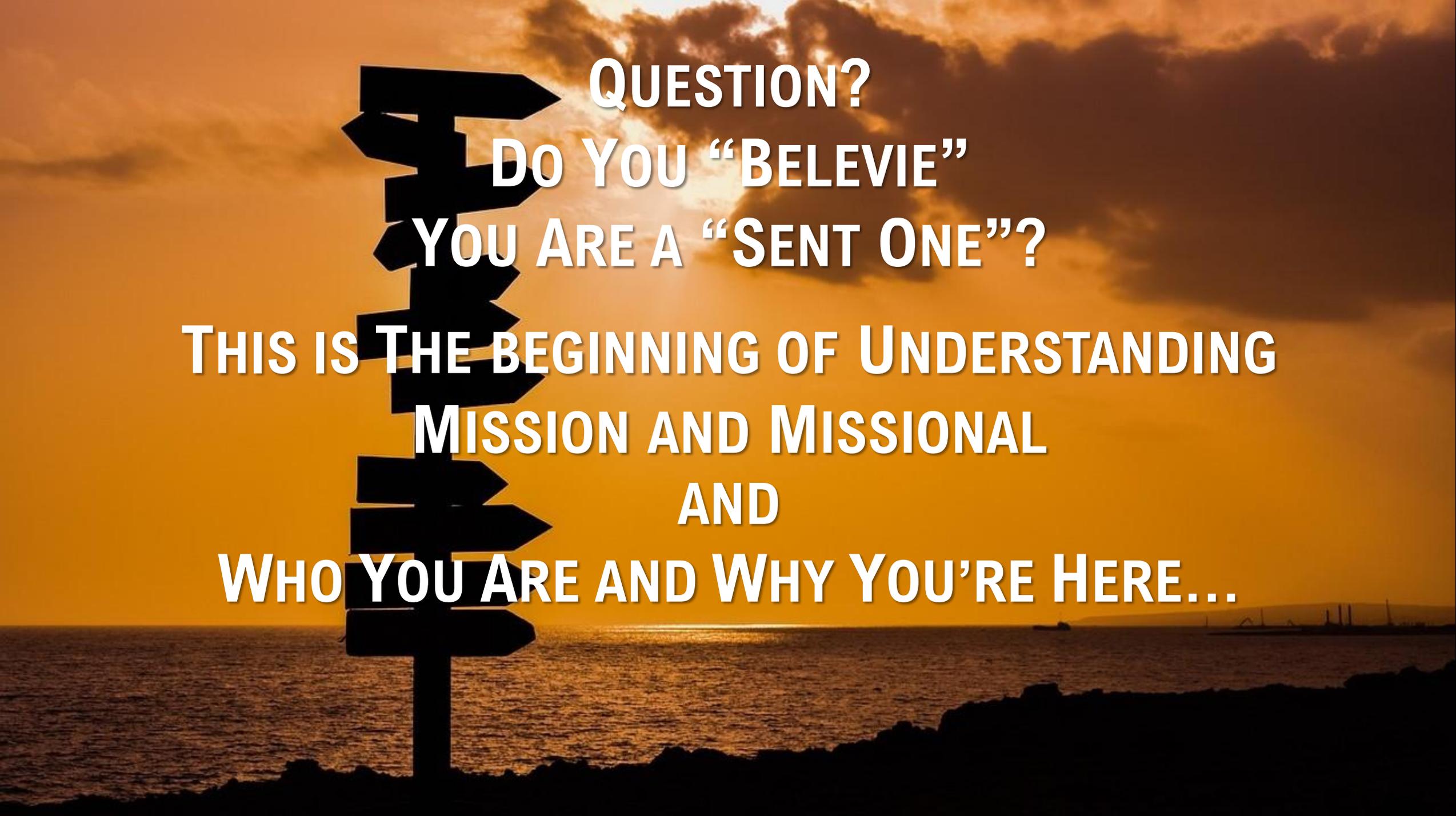
THE ESSENCE OF ANY CHURCH IS ITS MISSION

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- Matthew 28:18-20

A silhouette of a signpost with multiple arrows pointing in various directions, set against a sunset over the ocean. The text is overlaid on the image.

**IF WE ARE GOING TO UNDERSTAND MISSIONAL
WE HAVE TO UNDERSTAND CHURCH
FLOWS FROM MISSION
AND
MISSION FLOWS FROM GOD.**



QUESTION?
DO YOU “BELEVIE”
YOU ARE A “SENT ONE”?
THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF UNDERSTANDING
MISSION AND MISSIONAL
AND
WHO YOU ARE AND WHY YOU’RE HERE...