

# The Wild Goose




**NOT THIS**



BUT THIS







"Deep calls to deep at the sound  
of Your waterfalls;..."  
Psalm 42:7

echoesofheaven

# **CATCH THE WIND OF THE SPIRIT**

**HOW THE FIVE MINISTRY GIFTS CAN TRANSFORM  
YOUR CHURCH**









## **IRISHMEN WITH THEIR CORACLES**







George Macleod, founder of the present-day Iona Community in 1936, made this comment:

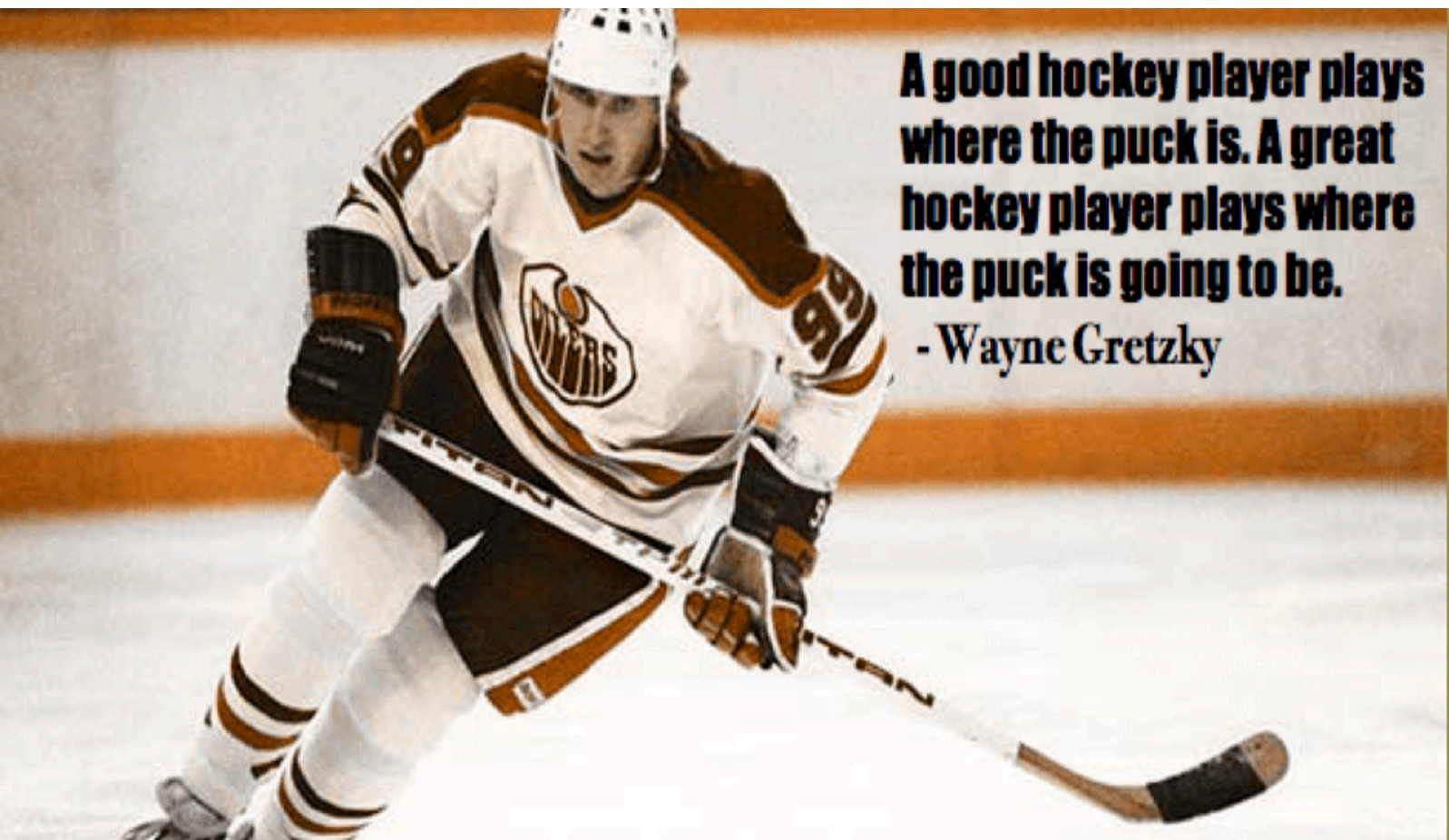
**“Christ is a person to be trusted, not a principle to be tested. The Church is Movement, not a meeting house. The Faith is an Experience, not an exposition. Christians are Explorers, not map makers. It is a present Experience made possible at Bethlehem, offered on Calvary, and communicated at Pentecost.”**

Ronald Ferguson, *George Macleod: Founder of the Iona Community*. (London: HarperCollins, 1990), 123.

## **IN JOHN 3, JESUS SAYS TO NICODEMUS:**

**“<sup>8</sup> The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.”**

**<sup>9</sup> “How can this be?” Nicodemus asked.**

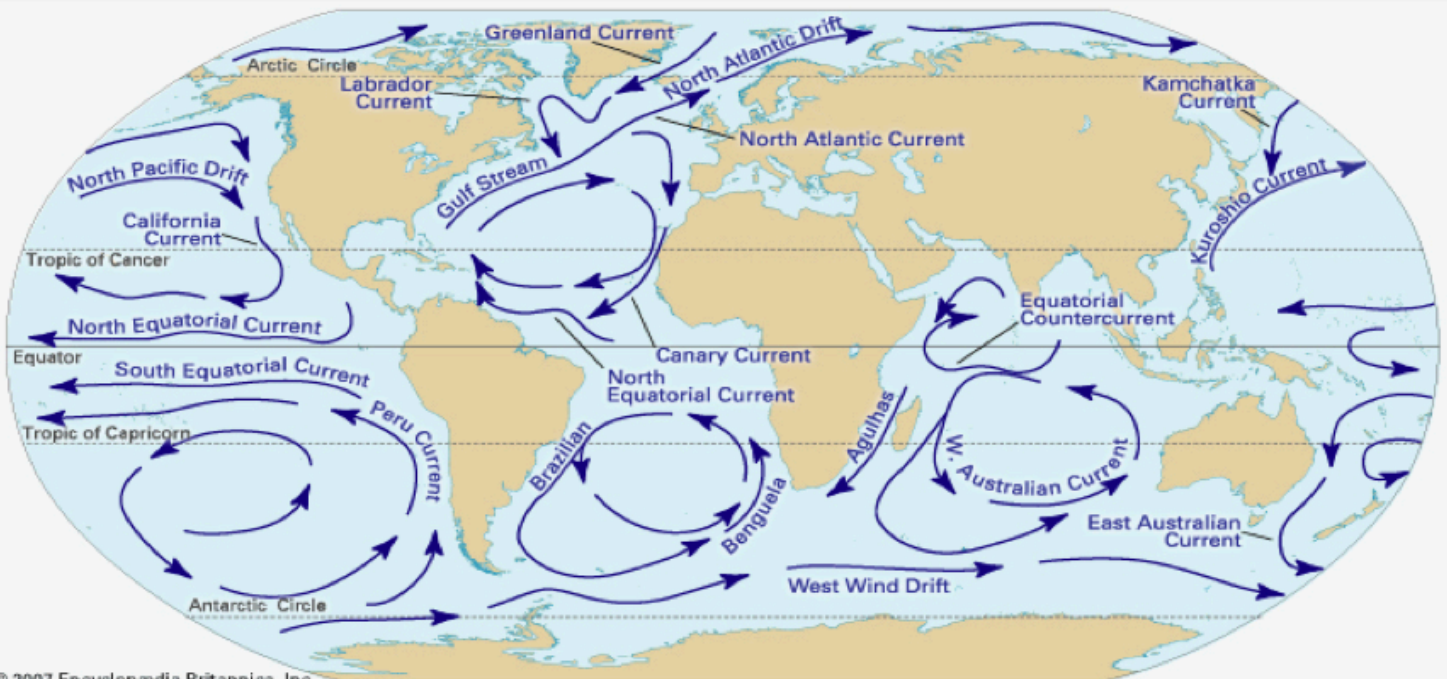


**A good hockey player plays where the puck is. A great hockey player plays where the puck is going to be.**  
- Wayne Gretzky

**QUESTION:  
IS THE CHURCH TODAY LETTING THE  
WIND OF THE SPIRIT CHART ITS COURSE,  
OR ARE WE JUST FOLLOWING OLD MAPS?**



# CURRENTS



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# What are the five currents?

- **Sharing the Good News (The Evangelist)**
- **Discipleship and Formation (The Teacher)**
- **Shepherding (The Pastor)**
- **The Prophetic (The Prophet)**
- **Sending Out (The Apostle)**

## **EPHESIANS 4:1-3 (NAS) UNITY OF THE SPIRIT**

- **Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, <sup>3</sup> being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.**

## **EPHESIANS 4:4-6**

- <sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling; <sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.

## **EPHESIANS 4:7-10**

- **7 But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.<sup>8</sup> Therefore it says,**
- **"WHEN HE ASCENDED ON HIGH,  
HE LED CAPTIVE A HOST OF CAPTIVES,  
AND HE GAVE GIFTS TO MEN."**
- **9 (Now this expression, "He ascended," what does it mean except that He also had descended into the lower parts of the earth?**
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## **EPHESIANS 4:11**

- **11 And He gave some as apostles,**
- **and some as prophets,**
- **and some as evangelists,**
- **and some as pastors and teachers....**



## **EPHESIANS 4:12-13**

- **<sup>12</sup>for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;**
- **<sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.**

## **EPHESIANS 4:14-16**

- **<sup>14</sup>As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; <sup>15</sup> but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ,**
- **<sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.**