

The Church: Missio Dei

Thesis: The Church is God's eternal plan to show His wisdom to rulers and authorities in heavenly places

–Introduction: Exodus 19:3-6 & 1Peter 2:9-10
Restoration of all things is Kingdom Come

I His Eternal Plan is the Church

Eph 2:19-22 Jews and Gentiles

- No longer aliens or strangers
- Fellow citizens with the saints
- Are of God's household
- We are growing into a holy temple

Eph 3:8-12

- Mystery hidden for ages
- Manifold wisdom of God made known
- Through the Church
- According to His eternal plan
- Carried out in Christ Jesus

II Simple definition of Church –

- Community of people (family)
- Following Jesus (disciples)
- Continuing His Mission (missionary)
- Christology drives Ecclesiology & Missiology

Operating system

Convictions

III Strategy for the church

Acts 1:8 to Acts 8:1 (8 years) to Acts 13:2 to Acts 19:10 (25 years) to Acts 20:17-32

Quads:

Mobilization
Transformation
Collaboration
Multiplication

5 Tensions of Disciple Making

1. AS YOU GO:

In/From the harvest as much as *for* the harvest.

2. BACK OF MY CAMEL:

Clear, compelling, concise, contextual, *target*.

3. OWNER/OPERATOR:

Handles to live it out Monday thru Friday.

4. TWO DOMAINS:

Personal domain driven and corporate domain supported vs.
corporate domain driven and personal domain supported.

5. ASAP:

Discipleship starts with the first conversation in the harvest.

Intimacy with God

Prioritizing a daily interactive relationship with God as one's first priority

Christ-like relationships (Fruit of the Spirit)

The acting presence of the Holy Spirit that demonstrates the character of Christ in a disciple's life

Grace Story

Intentionally sharing one's Gospel transformation with others

Stewardship of Life

Faithfully using everything God has entrusted to us to reflect His glory and advance His kingdom

Spiritual Gifts /Personal mission

Discovering and using our spiritual gifts to serve the Church and reach our community