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**Compelled to Spread the Good News
#21 of 33— March 18, 2018**

1) Take some time to discuss how your IC has been and will live out the Kingdom of Jesus together.

- In what ways have we been living like family recently? How will we live out our family identity in the coming week?
- How have we lived as servants to one another or to our world this past week? What needs or opportunities to serve is God asking us to lean into?
- How have we lived on mission where we live, work, play, or went this past week? Who do we know that needs to hear the good news of Jesus?

2) What did you find most significant about this message? How did it encourage you and challenge you?

3) Watch the video www.sermonspice.com/product/48131/gospel and reflect on the Gospel definition in the notes. What aspects do you find helpful about these portraits of the Good News? What questions does this raise for you?

4) Read 1 Corinthians 9:1-15. In what ways did Paul assume personal cost to spread the Good News? How does this challenge and encourage you?

5) Read Matthew 16:24-26. What is Jesus saying in this statement? What fears does this surface for you? What implications does it have for you and for your Impact Community?

6) Read 1 Cor. 9:16-18. In what way is the Good News a sacred trust? Have you viewed it as such, shy or why not?

7) Read 1 Cor. 9:19-23. What personal freedoms have you sacrificed to spread the Gospel? What does it mean to “do everything you can to spread the Gospel and share in it’s blessings?”

8) Read 1 Cor. 9:24-27. How is this image helpful for us as we seek to live for Christ and His Kingdom? Where do you need to grow in discipline and focus to be more effective for Christ? How does the truth found in the Gospel definition and video encourage you in this regard?

9) What is your next step as an individual and as an Impact Community to do everything you can to spread the Good News and share in its blessings?



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SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

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With Ryan Dawson, Lead Pastor
March 18, 2018



What is the Good News?

"The 'gospel' is the good news that through Jesus, the Messiah, the power of God's kingdom has entered history to renew the whole world. Through the Saviour, God has established his reign. When we believe and rely on Jesus' work and record (rather than ours) for our relationship to God, that kingdom power comes upon us and begins to work through us. We witness this radical new way of living by our renewed lives, beautiful community, social justice, and cultural transformation. The good news brings new life. The gospel motivates, guides, and empowers every aspect of our living and worship." - Jim Belcher, Deep Church: A Third Way Beyond Emerging and Traditional

1 Corinthians 9:23 (NLT) "I do everything to spread the Good News and share in its blessings."

Big Idea: Do everything you can to spread the Good News & share in its blessings.

How do we live in this way?

***Assume personal cost to advance the Good News.** 1 Cor. 9: 1-15

Matthew 16:24-26 (NIV) Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. ²⁶ What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?"

What personal cost are you willing to assume to spread the Good News?

***Recognize the Good News as a sacred trust.** 1 Cor. 9:16-18

1 Corinthians 9:16-17 (NLT) "Yet preaching the Good News is not something I can boast about. I am compelled by God to do it. How terrible for me if I didn't preach the Good News! ...for God has given me this sacred trust."

***Sacrifice personal freedom to find common ground to share the Good News.** 1 Cor. 9:19-23

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"Relationship is the currency of the Gospel."

***Embrace discipline, & focus on the eternal prize revealed in the Good News.**

1 Corinthians 9:24-27 (NLT) Don't you realize that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize? So run to win! ²⁵ All athletes are disciplined in their training. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize. ²⁶ So I run with purpose in every step. I am not just shadowboxing. ²⁷ I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. Otherwise, I fear that after preaching to others I myself might be disqualified.

What is your next step to do everything you can to spread the Good News and share in its blessings?

The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation(NLT), and the New International Version (NIV).