SERMON SERIES: This Is Us: Our Global Impact

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## **Key Line**

Our impact is greater when we invest in others instead of ourselves.

## Introduction

Think about someone who invested in your life.

- Describe their influence in your life.
- What are some important ways their influence still shows in your current life.

## **Seek the Word**

Read Matthew 28:19-20.

• What does Jesus tell his disciples to do in this passage?

Calvary's mission strategy is made of several parts:

- Identify and train the next generation of churches.
- Identify and train the next generation of church leaders.
- Reach the next generation of believers.

Calvary has focused on several main things when taking people on vision trips in other countries: encouraging, empowering, equipping.

- What does it mean to encourage global partners? (Build them up wherever they are and incite people to grow and learn more, becoming more excited about sharing the gospel.)
- What does it mean to empower people to do work in other cultures? (Empowerment allows people who are already living in a culture and are from that area to lead the churches themselves. It means us trusting people in those cultures to do the work themselves.)
- What does it mean to equip people around the world to lead the churches? (Helping people with various gifts to use their gifts to serve God.) Read Ephesians 4:11-12. What is the job of the church leaders? (To equip the people in the body of Christ to succeed in the role that God has given them to fulfill.)

Think back about the presentation Ricky and Aaron did regarding the ministries Calvary participates in around the world: in India and Romania. Describe things you remember from what they shared. How does Calvary's involvement relate to the church's goals to encourage, empower, and equip?

## Talk About It

What are some ways that you can participate in what God is doing around the world? Give some specific examples.

Give concrete ways your group can work to help people around the world know Jesus.