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Church Rising

Part Six: Mission Possible
John 4:16-30

Review

Highland rising with Jesus into greater life-vitality

The dynamics of a lake: inflow, balance, outflow

The outflow of Highland: mission outposts

Mission Outposts

Being Jesus hands and feet in relationships where we live, work, learn, and play

That "mission" implies "over there": missionary

Keith Green's "Jesus Commands Us to Go"

But a clear reading of the Great Commission in Matthew 28:19-20: having gone, going

Not ignoring what is at hand with our sights set on higher or farther away things

That "mission" implies adventure, danger, extraordinary, important

Mission critical: military, space, political, religious

Living life in such a way as that every moment matters: reducing the secular/sacred divide

Principle of faithful in small things: Matthew 25:23

Widow's mite, mustard seed, five loaves and fish, a cup of cold water, etc.

Disciple-Making Out of Weakness

Making disciples is usually better left to the professionals, isn't it?

Sharing what you have (not what you don't have)

People are often intimidated by the successful and powerful

What truly inspires is to encounter weakness/flaw that has been graciously met and healed

Come see a man who told me all that I ever did: John 4:29

From our weakness to his strength: see John 4:39-42

Three important mission outpost words:

"I don't know (what do you think?)"

"Can you help me?"

"How can I pray for you?"