

## **Main Idea**

God designed us as His masterpieces to reflect His light in the world. When we turn toward Him and are transformed from the inside out, we naturally shine in dark places and participate in His global mission—across the street and around the world.

### **1) Masterpiece – Designed with Purpose**

*Leaders, the goal here is to help people realize how uniquely designed they are by God and that no matter who they or where they have been, God wants to love them and help them shine.*

**Ephesians 2:10** – “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

- “Workmanship” means masterpiece—an intentional creation of the Artist.
- We are **His artwork**, created to reflect the Artist outwardly.
- Mission is not just for “professionals”; everyone is uniquely designed for good works.
- Don’t judge your life mid-process—God sees the bigger picture.
- Our mission stays simple: **Love God. Love People.**

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What does it mean to you that you are God’s masterpiece?
2. Where might God already be inviting you to walk in good works?
3. How does seeing the “bigger picture” change how you view your current season?

### **2) Probability – A Bigger God, A Bigger Story**

*Leaders, sometimes we assume the simple things, like “Why do I believe what I say I believe about God” so this is an opportunity to reassure them their faith is founded on great evidence.*

When we consider the complexity of the universe and life itself, many scientists acknowledge the statistical improbability of it all happening by accident. While statistics don’t prove God, they open the door to the possibility of intelligent design (99% possibility).

Scripture presents a uniquely comprehensive and compelling explanation for our existence. And throughout history, when people genuinely encounter Jesus, their lives change.

- Big creation points to a big Creator.
- The message of Jesus transforms real people in real time.
- Global mission flows from a global God.

**Discussion Questions:**

1. How does creation influence your view of God's greatness?
2. Why do you think the message of Jesus continues to transform lives?
3. How does believing in a big God shape your willingness to trust Him?

**3) Transformation – Shining from the Inside Out**

*Leaders, this is where the rubber meets the road as we try to mine with them, what is really motivating change in their life? Is it just being more religious or is it inside-out transformation?*

**Romans 12:2** – “Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...”

- Conforming is outside-in; transformation is inside-out.
- Renewal happens through cultivating our inner life (prayer, Scripture, community).
- Like the earth reflecting the sun, we shine when we turn toward the Son.
- Light is most needed in darkness.

As we are refreshed by Him, we naturally reflect Him.

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Where do you feel pressure to conform rather than be transformed?
2. What rhythms help you “turn toward the Son”?
3. Where is God calling you to shine right now—locally or globally?

**Conclusion: Our Global Commission**

**Matthew 28:19–20** – Go and make disciples of all nations.

**Acts 1:8** – You will be My witnesses... to the ends of the earth.

Some are called to Tanzania. Some are called to the end of their driveway. All need the power of the Spirit.

The question is not *if* you are sent—but *where* you are sent.

**Closing Prayer Focus:**

Ask God to renew your heart, enlarge your vision, and send you—across the street or across the world—for His global impact.