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God's plan — we all serve
in mission

Jesus's ongoing mission is to extend the Kingdom of God (giving witness & baptizing), and to edify the body of Christ (teaching & serving). These are also the two main focus points of disciple-making. **How can we take Jesus's example of ministry and disciple-making as we consider ways we can extend the Kingdom of God? How does Jesus's example help us in ways we can edify the body of Christ?**



On Sunday, Gerry explained that typically, discipleship begins within the heart of an Intentional Follower of Jesus Christ (IFJC) as we increasingly received God's love, loving Him back with our whole being; as we increasingly live in union with Jesus, surrendering to His active leadership; and as we are increasingly filled with the Holy Spirit, walking in His power.

- **As IFJCs, how can we love God back with our whole being?**
- **What is an area in your life that needs to be surrendered to Jesus's active leadership?**
- **What does it mean to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit?**



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Ephesians 2:8-10 says, "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are all His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepares beforehand, that we should walk in them."

In Ephesians 2:8-9 we understand that we are NOT saved BY GOOD WORKS, and as we read on in verse 10, we begin to uncover that we are created in Christ, SHAPED and SAVED FOR GOOD WORKS.

- **Knowing, in God's plan, that we were SHAPED FOR good works, and NOT SAVED BY good works, how can we then respond in our lives? Relationships? Circles?**
- **Pray and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal what God has shaped you for. Listen. Did you get a picture? A word?**

One of Summit's core values for carrying out ministry is to have empowered teams led by spiritually gifted servant leaders. **What does it look like to have empowered teams? How can we pray for our ministry leaders in their spiritual gifting and growth?**

Another one of Summit's core values is to build up the Church by utilizing our spiritual gifts. As IFJCs, through our discipleship framework, this is what we work with God on to produce in people. **How does using our spiritual gifting build up the Church? If you know your spiritual gift(s), how can you utilize your gifts to build up the Church?** (If you want to explore spiritual gifts, you can order a free copy of our SERVE series book on our web homepage: summitcommunity.ca)



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As Rick Warren stated "every believer is a minister." Not all believers are pastors, but every believer is a minister and called to continue Jesus's ongoing ministry / God's plan with the help of the Holy Spirit. **How can we respond to this calling now? How can we encourage one another in responding to this calling?**

Pray over the following truth statements & give thanks for God's entrusting of His plan to us:

- He created me to serve.
- He saved me to serve.
- He called me to serve.
- He gifted me to serve.
- He commanded me to serve.
- I'm needed for serving.
- I'm developed for serving.
- I'm accountable for serving.
- I'm rewarded for serving.