

# MISSIONAL ENGAGEMENT - STUDY GUIDE

## SESSION ONE - THE VISION OF THE CHURCH

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### INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the first session in our Missional Engagement class. In this session we want to set the larger foundation of the message and vision of Jesus. It is important that we understand the bigger WHY behind everything we are called to be and do as Christians and as the church.



### VIDEO: SESSION ONE

“Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

MATTHEW 6:10

**THELEMA: Will, Wish, Desire, Passion, Dream**

“A little faith will take you to heaven,  
but I pray for the kind of faith that will bring heaven to earth.”

CHARLES SPURGEON

We don't pray “Thy church come.” We pray  
“Thy kingdom come.” The church is only a  
means to an end. The church is not the end.  
The kingdom is the end.



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### DISCUSSION & REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Philip mentioned that instead of getting us into heaven God wants to get heaven into us and into our messy world. What do you think about that statement? If that is true, what kind of difference might that make in the way we live our lives?

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2. What are some examples of how we have made the gospel more about us than about joining God in his kingdom work?

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3. Reflect on and discuss the differences between these two statements: “the church has a mission” vs. “the mission has a church.”

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### DISCUSSION & REFLECTION QUESTIONS

4. The gospel of the kingdom of God can be summarized as heaven on earth. What does heaven on earth look like for you?

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5. Charles Spurgeon is quoted as saying “A little faith will take you to heaven, but I pray for the kind of faith that will bring heaven to earth.” What are the differences in those two faiths?

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6. How much of your focus has been on you getting to heaven rather than heaven coming to earth?

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