

Live Curiously | Week 03 | Family Gathering Talk Notes

“The Scattered Heartbeat” | March 19th and 22nd



Review/Anchor Verse

1. You are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God’s very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light. 1 Peter 2:9
2. **Week 01 Main Point:** God’s people become curious when they proclaim the goodness of God in a language that people understand: The language of hope.
3. **Week 02 Main Point:** God gathers us for the sake of the other. (The plan of God always required a people of God.)

What is the issue anyway?

1. What are the risks of being dependent on a building for our identity as the church?

2. What are the signs of immature religion? What are the signs of mature religion?

Immature religion will always _____ us to, while mature religion _____ us for.

What about Jesus, God and the Bible?

1. God’s people are always _____ people.

Matthew 5:13-16

“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. ¹⁴You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”

2 Corinthians 5:20

So, we are Christ’s ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, “Come back to God!”

2. Sometimes God’s people go by _____.

Isaiah 6:8

Then I heard the Lord asking, “Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?” I said, “Here I am. Send me.”

3. Sometimes God’s people go because of _____.

Acts 8:1-4

*Saul was one of the witnesses, and he agreed completely with the killing of Stephen. A great wave of **persecution** began that day, sweeping over the church in Jerusalem; and all the believers except the apostles were **scattered** through the regions of Judea and Samaria. ²(Some devout men came and buried Stephen with great mourning.) ³But Saul was going everywhere to destroy the church. He went from house to house, dragging out both men and women to throw them into prison. But the believers who were scattered preached the Good News about Jesus wherever they went.*

The Point:

The _____ are those who choose to be ambassadors of the Kingdom of God in their everyday normal lives.

What about my every day, normal life?

1. You are the scattered church when you are _____ the gathered church
2. What are some practical ways you can be an ambassador of the Kingdom of God (justice, peace and joy) during this pandemic?

The _____ of the Scattered Church

- i. Be _____: What are you inviting me into today God?
- ii. Be _____: I want an adventure in saying “yes”.

Go on a Scattered Church _____.

- a. Prayer walk your neighborhood.
- b. Offer assistance to at-risk neighbors.
- c. Contact three different people digitally every day.
- d. Explore Spiritual Content online with friends.
- e. Participate in the weekly “While You’re Out” Scattered Church Adventure

So what, why does it even matter if I live into this?

The scattered church brings _____ to the gospel and the gathered church.

What is God inviting you into today?

1. Participate in the “While You’re Out” Scattered Church Adventure
2. Prayer walk my neighborhood this week.
3. Email me a link with instructions to help me automate my giving so that Crossroads Church will be fully resourced for mission and ministry regardless of how we gather.

