GROUPS

TALK IT OVER

Be the Church

BOTTOM LINE

You are the Church

CONVERSATION STARTER

Whose passion inspires you? Your answer can be someone you know, a famous person, a relatively anonymous person, and a person of any age.

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily: <u>newpointeorg/daily</u>
- How to Engage in Your Local <u>Church</u> by Andy Stanley

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one is a part of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27 NIV

"Let me tell you why you are here. You're here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You've lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage. Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven. Matthew 5:13-16 MSG

"Christianity not only took over an empire. It radically altered the lives of those living in it. It was a revolution that affected government practices, legislation, art, literature, music, philosophy, and even on a more fundamental level, the understanding millions of people had about what it means to be human." – Bart Ehrman

"Prayer does more than you think because God does more than you can see." — Dwight Mason

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The death of Jesus was not the death of the movement because the resurrection of Jesus Christ changed everything. Discuss how the resurrection empowered and emboldened the church. How does it today? How did the movement "unleash the most monumental cultural transformation the world had ever seen"? What could happen today? What does it mean for you to be engaged in bringing the Kingdom in? What is the next NewPointe experience you can leverage with friends? Where can you become more fully engaged? What area of NewPointe most stirs your desire to give? What is the prayer that comes to your heart for us and our stewardship of the mission?

ACTION STEPS (This or one of your own)

I will leverage our NewPointe experiences with people in my sphere of influence, engage fully in our mission, give faithfully to fund our efforts, and pray regularly for the Kingdom to come through us.

My Action Step: ___

