

TALK IT OVER

The Mission

BOTTOM LINE

Following Jesus includes becoming engaged in His mission through the local church.

CONVERSATION STARTER

When did you become part of NewPointe? What prompted you/how did it happen?

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear? What do you think? What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily: <u>newpointe.org/thedaily</u>
- <u>On Message, On Mission</u> by Andy Stanley (35 min.)

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

Jesus said to his followers, "Go everywhere in the world, and tell the Good News to everyone." Mark 16:15 NCV

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven." Matthew 7:21 NIV

"If you insist on saving your life, you will lose it. Only those who throw away their lives for my sake and for the sake of the Good News will ever know what it means to really live." Mark 8:35 TLB

"I don't believe you can follow Jesus without being engaged and committed to a local church." – Dwight Mason

"The local church is the hope of the world, living and teaching the truth of Jesus Christ." – Dwight Mason

Our Mission: To inspire people to follow Jesus (by engaging them in the life and mission of NewPointe).

"The most important thing about you is your view of God." - A. W. Tozer

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Talk a few minutes about the four pivotal moments in the life of NewPointe before today. What did you experience when you were here? How do you feel about being part of a fourth pivotal movement? If you are currently engaged in the mission through NewPointe, share where and how. How does working the mission help you? The first necessity for engaging in the mission is to know God as Father. Is that a hard or easy concept for you? Discuss. Why is your view of God so central to who you are? How could you help yourself or someone else who struggles? The second is finding and experiencing freedom. Salvation is not the end – it's the beginning. We can find freedom from our hurts, habits, and hangups. How have you experienced new freedom? Third, why is freedom essential to discovering your purpose? Explain. You were made to find the greatest fulfillment in living out God's purpose. How have you seen that to be true in yourself or others? What's the difference between ministry in the church and ministry in the world? Do we need to engage in both? Why or why not? Make a difference is fourth. The mature follower of Jesus stops asking, "Who's going to meet my needs?" and starts asking, "Whose needs can I meet?" Do you ever ask that question? What is God saying to you? Prayer is first but followed by commitment. Why? How?

ACTION STEP

I will commit myself to engaging with our church to fulfill the mission by ...

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