



Discussion Guide: Mission of God

Passage: Genesis 1:28, various passages.

Summary: From the very first pages of Genesis, God's mission has been to fill the earth with His glory through image-bearers living in close relationship with Him — a mission humanity repeatedly failed through sin and self-seeking. But God never abandoned it: He pursued His people through the tabernacle, the temple, and ultimately through Jesus, who as the true and better Adam restored what was lost, making it possible for His Spirit to now dwell inside every believer. That means wherever you go, you carry God's presence — and you are called to live that out through remembering who you are in Christ, being intentionally present with the people around you, and practicing hospitality, all from the confidence of a victory Christ has already won.

Discussion Questions

1. The sermon traced God's presence through Eden → the Tabernacle → the Temple → Jesus → you. What stood out to you most in that journey? Why?
2. God's original mission was to "fill the earth with His glory" through image-bearers living in close relationship with Him. How does it change your sense of daily purpose to see yourself as God's royal representative in the world?
3. "We're not working for the victory — we're working from the victory." How does knowing that Christ has already accomplished the mission change the way you approach evangelism, hospitality, or even discouragement when people say no?
4. Remember His Presence, Carry His Presence, and Practice Hospitality. Which of these feels most natural to you — and which feels most like a stretch?
5. God placed you in your neighborhood, your workplace, your family — not by accident." Who is one specific person God has placed in your life right now? What might it look like to intentionally carry His presence to them this week?

At the end, pray for one another, asking God to make you more aware of His presence in you and through you.