

# ASTONISHED BY WEAKNESS

Acts 2.7, 4.13 // June 12, 2022

## EXCUSES, EXCUSES

We all have many excuses and reasons why we doubt or withhold from the Lord. But Scripture is clear: God is in the business of doing the unlikely through the unlikely. One reason for that is that so when the world sees that unlikely work, they will be astonished, and their eyes will be drawn not to the person, but to God.

1 Corinthians 1.26-31 // Exodus 4.10-12 1 Samuel 16.7  
1 Corinthians 2.1-5 // 2 Corinthians 10.12-18

## WE KNOW HIM

What caught the attention of the people and caused them to take notice was not simply their knowledge of Scripture, their morality, their personalities, or their giftedness. What the people realized that made these disciples different is that they had “been with Jesus.”

2 Corinthians 2.14-17

**The aroma that follows us lets everyone know  
what we’ve been doing,  
and who we’ve been spending time with.**

## ONE DEGREE TO THE NEXT

How are we transformed? What must we do to be the kind of people who carry the aroma of Christ with us, people whom are said, “they have been with Jesus”? God’s Word tells us we are to behold the glory of God, and we do this by staring into the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 3.18, 4.5-7

God’s glory is most clearly put on display in the person and work of Jesus Christ. The Gospel is that Good News of Jesus’ person and His work that He did through His life, His death, and His resurrection. As we look to Him, to get to know Him through His Word and in prayer, we behold His glory, and we are changed.

**Stare at the glory of God until you see it.**

Philippians 2.6-8 // Ephesians 2.1-9 // Hebrews 13.20, 21 // 2 Timothy 3.14-17

**We are changed not by being told *what* to do,  
but by being told what *Christ* has done *for* us.**



## NOTES:

### This Week’s Scripture to Memorize:

**Joshua 24:15**

And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We’d love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you’ll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens’ ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not “graduate the faith” when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.



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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **Acts 2.7, 4.13**. What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday?

### Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

The truths in these verses serve as both a beginning point for learning humility, but also a launching point for learning boldness! How does this truth help you as you examine your own excuses and fears, and what Gospel truths do you need to preach to yourself in order to grow in your faith and trust in Christ in this area?

### Your Life Mission

What excuses or fears are hindering the sharing of your faith recently? What doubts do you have, and why are they easier to believe than the Gospel? Who did you write down on your "Monthly Life Liturgy" that you will be pursuing in a particular way this month, and how could you use prayer from your church family to do God's will in that?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

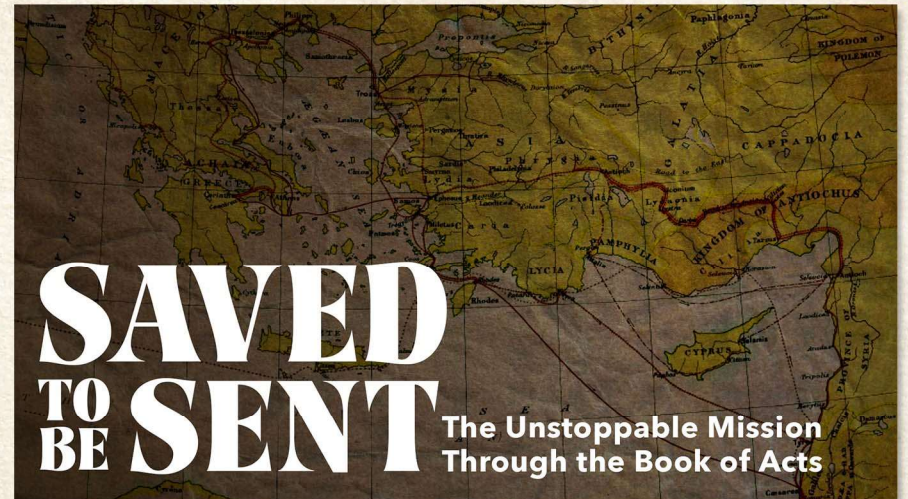
- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself** (Matthew 6.9, 10)
  - Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God's goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week's text.
- **Repent and Confess** (Matthew 6.12)
  - Real repentance begins where blame-shifting stops. Your circumstances don't need to change, your heart needs to change. Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.
- **Ask for Provision** (Matthew 6.11-13)
  - Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God's desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God's love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving** (Matthew 6.10)
  - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.



# LIFE MISSION

## CHURCH

**MAKING DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY,  
WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.**



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