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Discussion Guide “Live on Mission” Pastor Daniel Floyd

Starter Think about a time when you were part of a team—sports, work, school, church, or even a family project. What’s the difference between watching from the sidelines and actually getting in the game? Share a time when you moved from simply watching or observing to actively participating. What changed when you got involved?

Sermon Summary

God calls us to live beyond ourselves by joining Jesus’ mission and using our lives to make an eternal impact. Instead of being spectators, we’re invited to live on mission through compassion, presence, readiness, and participation, trusting that what we invest in people will last beyond this life.

ACT

As you absorb sermons, read, or participate in group discussion, take notes and make a plan to apply what God’s teaching you.

A (Action): Mark important ideas with an “A” to remind you to take action.

C (Contemplate): Use a “C” to mark ideas you want to process further.

T (Transfer/Teach): If it’s something you need to teach to someone else, note it with a “T.”

Read

What do these Scriptures teach you about God’s character? (Read some or all verses together.)

[Matthew 5:13–16](#)

[Revelation 20:11–15](#)

[Ephesians 2:10](#)

[Psalms 100:2](#)

[Revelation 22:12](#)

[Mark 8:35](#)

[2 Corinthians 5:14–15](#)

[Romans 12:4–8](#)

[1 Corinthians 9:19–23](#)

[1 Thessalonians 2:19–20](#)

[1 Timothy 6:17–19](#)

[Galatians 2:20](#)

[2 Corinthians 5:17–20](#)

[1 Peter 3:15](#)

[Matthew 6:19–21](#)

[Philippians 1:21](#)

[Mark 10:45](#)

[James 4:14](#)

Discuss

Choose questions to keep the discussion moving. There’s no need to discuss every question.

1. What does it look like for you personally to move from being a spectator to a participant in God’s mission?
2. The sermon describes selfishness as something we naturally drift toward. Where do you notice that gravitational pull in your own life?

3. What does it mean to live an “attractional” life through the way you treat people rather than simply through what you say?
4. How can we show compassion toward people who are different from us while still holding firmly to our convictions?
5. What gifts, abilities, or opportunities has God given you that could be used to make a difference in the lives of others?

Go Deeper

1. Study Genesis 12:1–3 (Abraham and the call to bless others). How might God want to use what He has given you to bless people around you?
2. Study Esther 4:10–16 (Esther’s purpose). Where might God have placed you “for such a time as this”?
3. Study John 6:1–13 (the boy who gave what he had). What do you have that may seem insignificant but could become useful in God’s hands?
4. Study Acts 2:42–47 (the early Church). What would it look like for your small group to live with this kind of outward focus?

Apply

1. Ask God to help you recognize where He is inviting you to participate in His mission.
2. Ask God to give you eyes to see people’s needs and a heart that responds with genuine compassion.
3. Ask for boldness to live out your faith with gentleness, respect, and readiness when opportunities to share your hope arise.
4. Ask God to shift your focus from what you can gain in this life toward what you can invest in people and His kingdom.

Pray

Here are some prayer points:

1. Ask God to deepen your hunger for Him and continue maturing you to become more like Christ.
2. Ask the Holy Spirit to move biblical truth from your head into the way you think, speak, and live.
3. Ask God to surround you with relationships that encourage spiritual growth and give you courage to be known authentically.
4. Ask God to reveal areas where you are still living under old patterns and lead you into the freedom Christ has given you.

Leadership Tip

Move the conversation from inspiration to participation. After discussing the sermon, have each person identify one specific person, place, or opportunity where they can live on mission this week. Encourage group members to share their ideas with one another and revisit them at your next gathering—not as an accountability exercise driven by guilt but as a way to encourage one another to get off the sidelines and participate in what God is doing.