



LifeGroup Discussion Questions

Living on Mission | November 5, 2023

Summary

Our guest speaker for Worldwide Week, Scott Ridout (COO of The Timothy Initiative), emphasizes the concept of living on mission as a central aspect of a Christian's life. He highlights four choices made by Jesus that serve as a model for living on mission: Jesus *went*, Jesus *felt*, Jesus *prayed* and Jesus *sent*. As believers, it's important to be part of the church as a movement rather than a physical location. God perfectly positions each of us for His purpose in the world.

Scripture

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." -Matthew 9:35-38 (ESV)

Let's Start

Did you participate in any of the Wooddale Worldwide global partner events this past week? If so, what did you learn and what was impactful to you?

Gratitude and Prayer

How did God work in your life since the last time we were together?

Let's Talk

1. Scott Ridout defined living on mission as "living out priorities of God in the character of Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit." How do you personally define living on mission as a Christian?
2. In Matthew 9, we see four things Jesus did, four choices that He made that He wants us to make:
 - Jesus went
 - Jesus felt
 - Jesus prayed
 - Jesus sent

Discuss the implications of these four choices.

3. Scott Ridout said that the church is not a building but a movement. How can you participate in this movement in your daily life and interactions?
4. Have you ever experienced a moment when you felt perfectly positioned by God for a specific purpose or encounter with someone? If so, please share your experience.
5. The sermon emphasizes the importance of prayer in living on mission. How can you integrate prayer into your mission and outreach efforts?

Let's Act

November 13 is the Wooddale Annual meeting, which this year includes the vote to call Pastor Kyle Robinson as our next senior pastor. There is one more opportunity to ask Pastor Kyle questions: Sunday, November 12, at noon. If you are a Wooddale Church member, you may vote at the annual meeting (absentee ballots are available). Please continue to pray for wisdom and discernment in the voting process and guidance for the Elders to lead Wooddale during this transition faithfully.
