

Preaching the Guiding Vision



Missional communities make for new powerful partnerships which are forged by the Holy Spirit. They cross boundaries of age, ethnicity, culture, education, styles, and traditions. The creative stress and real relationship provoke one another to bridge the gaps of our perceived differences and positions. We know from the early church and even our own history, that the Holy Spirit has the healing power to use what were divisions, to move us toward a greater understanding and practice of Christian unity and mission.

The below six brief sermon outlines and scripture texts are meant to follow the Guiding Vision, exploring the question(s), “What does it look like to be a missional community of communities?” “What does it mean to be a missional partner?”

The “Abiding Principal” of the Missional Community

John 15:4-6, Eph. 4:11-13

- Abiding in relationship
- Abiding in mutual accountability
- Abiding Motivation

Life Together

John 15:11-13, Acts 15:6-10, Mk 2:13-17

- Provoking each other for the sake of mission
- Demonstrating the sacrificial life of Christ

What Compels Us to Enter a Fragmented World?

Luke 10:1-24, Acts 2:42-47

- Study of Scripture
- Leading of the Holy Spirit
- Prayerful guidance

Here We Go: Entering the Fragmented World

Luke 4:43 & Matt 28:16-20

- Becoming the good news
- Proclaiming the good news

Relating as Missional Partners

Gal. 3:26-29, Matt. 25: 31-46, & 26: 26-29, Micah 6:6-8

- Rich diversity:
 - at the table
 - in worship
 - in leadership
- Focused foundation:
 - accountability and justice
 - peace and equality

Living in a Missional World

Matt. 5:48, Romans 3:23, II Corinthians 5:16-6:2, John 3:16-21

- Beloved by God
- Deep in meaning
- Yearning of the called
- In need of redemption