

## **REPLAY: OUR 2020 VISION FOR OUR FUTURE TOGETHER**

*This Is Us – Part 5*  
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### **5 ETERNAL BENEFITS OF SERVING GOD**

#### **1. SERVING IS \_\_\_\_\_ OF MY LIFE!**

Jesus: *If you insist on living for yourself, you'll lose your life. Only those who give away their lives for my sake and for the sake of the Good News will ever know what it means to really live.* Mark 8:35

#### **2. SERVING MAKES ME MORE \_\_\_\_\_**

Jesus: *"I did not come to earth to be served, but to serve others, and to give my life away as a ransom for many."* Matthew 28:20

#### **3. SERVING IS THE HIGHEST USE OF \_\_\_\_\_**

*"Always give yourselves fully to servicing the Lord, because you know that your service for the Lord is never wasted."* 1 Corinthians 15:58

#### **4. SERVING IS THE SECRET OF \_\_\_\_\_**

Jesus: *"If you want to become great, you must learn to - serve others."* Matthew 20:26

#### **5. MY SERVICE WILL BE \_\_\_\_\_**

*"Whatever you do, do it cheerfully and give it your best, remembering you're really serving the Lord, and he will REWARD you."* Col. 3:23-24

Jesus promised: *"Anyone who's given up anything to serve in my name will be repaid a hundred times over AND will have life forever."* Mark 10:29

#### **OUR GOAL: \_\_\_\_\_**

*"Never be lazy in serving the Lord, but keep your spiritual fervor hot, SERVING the Lord JOYFULLY because you have HOPE!"* Romans 12:11-12

### **THE DECADE OF HOPE!**

#### **TIME TO DREAM: TRUSTING GOD TO OPEN DOORS**

February 15 to March 29 - A 6-week Small Group & weekend experience to prepare YOU for your great future!

*"God, by his mighty power at work within us, is able to do FAR MORE than we would ever dare to ASK or even DREAM - infinitely beyond our HIGHEST PRAYERS, DESIRES, THOUGHTS, or HOPES."* Eph. 3:20 (LB)

Jesus: *"I know all the things you have done (for my church). So now, I have placed before you AN OPEN DOOR that no one can shut!"* Rev. 3:8

## **FIVE D.O.O.R.S. TO OUR FUTURE**

that we're going to walk through together as a church family

Paul: *"There is a WIDE-OPEN DOOR for a great work here, and MANY people are responding!"* 1 Corinthians 16:9 (NLT)

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- o The *number* of our small groups!
- o The *number* of our campuses!
- o The *size* of every ministry!

*"The word of God was reaching more and more people and the number of disciples increased rapidly."* Acts 6:7 (ICB)

### **PARABLE OF THE TALENTS: MATTHEW 25:14-29**

God: *"Come back to my safely, O Prisoners of Hope! Today I declare that I will restore to you a DOUBLE BLESSING!"* Zechariah 9:12

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Jesus' Great Commission: *"I have been given complete authority in heaven and on earth. So, GO and make disciples of ALL the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. And teach these new disciples TO DO everything I've commanded you. And be sure of this: that I am with you always, until this age is finished!"* Matthew 28:19-20

John: *"And in heaven I saw a huge crowd, too huge to count! People from everywhere were there – from every nation, EVERY TRIBE, every race, and every language! And they were standing there thanking God in front of the throne of God!"* Revelation 7:9 (Mes)

### **HOW? Our FINISHING THE TASK Coalition (FTT)**

Jesus: *"This Gospel WILL be preached in the WHOLE world as a witness to ALL nations, and then the end will come."* Matthew 24:14

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What KIND OF PEOPLE does God want us to BE in today's culture?

*"Don't let evil defeat you; instead overcome evil by doing good!"* Romans 12:21

**“Do everything without complaining or arguing. Then no one can accuse or blame you. Live as God’s children without fault, like a breath of fresh air in a polluted and perverted culture. You are to shine like bright stars in a dark world, as you offer the Word that gives Life . . . until Christ comes back.”**

*Philippians 2:14-16*

“I prayed ‘O Lord. . . **How long** before you save us from the **violence** around us? Why must I watch all this **trouble** and **wrongdoing** around me? Why do you tolerate all this **sin** and **sadness** and **injustice**? People are **hurting** and **destroying each other** everywhere. I am surrounded by people who **love to argue** and **get into angry quarrels**. The **government is paralyzed**, **laws are twisted**, and **justice is turned upside down** with **bribes and tricks**. It seems that the wicked **outnumber** the righteous. Then the Lord replied ‘**Just look at the nations and be amazed! You will be astounded at what I am about to do! For I am going to do something in your own lifetime that you will have to see to believe!**’” *Habakkuk 1:1-5*

HOW are we going to prepare people for LIVING in today’s culture?

**The PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE & LEADERSHIP Academy**  
Online, with a Library - for all ages!

**Out-love, out-serve, outdo, out-forgive, out-class, outshine & outlast the world!**

Jesus: “You are the **Salt of the earth!** Be careful not to lose your saltiness! And you are also the **Light of the world!** So **don’t hide your light!** . . . Instead shine out brightly so that people may see **the good things you do** and end up praising your Father!” *Matthew 5:13-16*

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Jesus: “Much is required from those to whom **much has been given**, and **EVEN MORE** is required from those to whom **EVEN MORE** has been given!” *Luke 12:48 (NLT)*

Jesus: “**I WILL build my church**, and the gates of Hell will not overcome it!” *Matthew 16:18*

“We are **joined together in Christ’s Body**. By **connecting all of the joints and ligaments in his Body**, God causes it **TO GROW** as He **WANTS it to GROW!**” *Colossians 2:19*

**HOW? PURPOSE- DRIVEN WEEKEND RENEWAL TEAMS!**

Sending out 20,020 members to share their love & stories in churches across America, Argentina, China, Germany, and the Philippines!

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“When Jesus looked at the massive crowds, **his heart broke**. He was moved with **DEEP COMPASSION** because their **pain and problems were so great**, and they didn’t know what to do or where to go for help. They were **HOPELESS AND HELPLESS**, like sheep without a shepherd.” *Matthew 9:36*

## THE ALPHABET OF PAIN IN TODAY’S WORLD

“**If you say to a person in pain**, ‘God be with you! I hope you stay warm and get plenty to eat,’ but you do not give that person whatever they need, your words are worth nothing!” *James 2:16 (NCV)*

“God comforts us **anytime we suffer any kind of trouble**. Then, when other people suffer some kind of trouble, we can be there and **able to serve them**, using the same comfort that we received from God when we were in pain.” *2 Corinthians 1:4 (GW)*

## PARABLE OF 4 KINDS OF SOIL: MATTHEW 13:1-9, 18-23

How does God turn hard soil into soft, receptive soil?

HOW are we going to help people in pain?

## A WORLD CLASS RESTORATIVE RETREAT CENTER WITH SUPPORT FOR DIFFERENT KINDS OF PAIN

How are we going to pay for all this?

### 2020 VISION OFFERING

Cash & 3 Year Pledges  
March 28-29

“Early the next morning Joshua and all the people of Israel marched to the banks of the Jordan River, where they camped **TO GET READY** for crossing into the Promised Land. Three days later, the leaders went through the camp giving these instructions: **Our PRIESTS WILL LEAD THE WAY**, carrying the Ark of God high enough for you to see and follow. **You’ve never been where we’re going now, so keep your eyes on the Ark of God and follow his priests who’ll guide you**. That way you’ll clearly see the route to take . . . Now, today, **DEDICATE YOURSELVES TO GOD**, because tomorrow **God is going to do a great miracle!**” *Joshua 3:1-4 (LB)*

GOD: “This is what I’m going to do in the last days: I’ll pour out my Spirit on **EVERYONE**: your **SONS & DAUGHTERS** will proclaim my message; Your **YOUNG** men will see visions, and your **OLD** men will dream new dreams. Yes, even on **ALL** my servants, both **MEN** and **WOMEN**, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will proclaim my message!” *Acts 2:17-18 (TEV)*