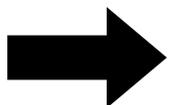


DEVOTED: To Mission: The entire Bible is about the mission of God. The mission of Jesus was to glorify God the Father. Our mission is to glorify Christ. We do that when we live devoted to mission.

1. Have you ever been on a mission trip? What was your experience like? If you haven't, what's the closest you've come to serving God in a different context or culture from your own? *Right at the outset of this study, take a minute to pray for a few of Mt. Gilead's missionaries.*
2. This week in our DEVOTED series, Jeff wrapped up the sermon with the five ways you can support missions. ***I will go. / I will pray. / I will give. / I will encourage. / I will host.*** Which of these do you participate in?
3. Jeff made the point that mission is why Jesus came and what he was all about. There are many verses that point to this truth, and here are five. Read these verses and discuss what they say about the mission of Jesus.

SCRIPTURE	WHAT DOES THIS SAY ABOUT THE MISSION OF JESUS?
JOHN 10:10	
MARK 10:45	
LUKE 19:10	
1 JOHN 3:8	
JOHN 18:37	

4. How does your view of the Bible, specifically the New Testament, change when you view it from the perspective that it's all about mission?



How is each Gospel a “missionary sermon?” (*Look up who each Gospel was written to.*)

How does the book of Acts serve as a “missionary record?” (*Walk through the book of Acts and try to trace the spread of Christianity.*)

How do the epistles or letters, like Romans or Ephesians, serve as “missionary correspondence?” (*What language do you find that suggests it’s a book about mission?*)

How is the book of Revelation an account of “missionary struggles?” (*Look at the Revelation 2 and 3 to discover some of the internal church struggles, then look at Revelation 19-22 to see how those struggles are overcome.*)

5. Christians are also called to be “on-mission.” Being “on-mission” requires two things. First, it requires you to live for God, not yourself. Second, it requires you to partner with God to make a difference in the misery and brokenness of this world (because He’s the only one who can fix it). Given this definition of being “on-mission,” would you say you are on-mission? How can you demonstrate you are living for God and not yourself? How are you actively partnering with God to make a difference in the world?

6. **Read John 17:17-19.** In John 17:18, Jesus tells the Father, “As you sent me, I am sending them.” What is Jesus praying about for Christians in verses 17 and 19? Why do you think Jesus links our own personal holiness and wholeness to our being sent? How is our personal holiness and wholeness a requirement for effective mission?

7. **Read Mark 6:7.** What did Jesus send the disciples out with? Why do Christians today think we need anything more than the Holy Spirit working through our own personal holiness and wholeness to evangelize and witness to a lost world?

PRAYER TIME: Pray for God’s mission to be accomplished through us as we seek to glorify Him.

UPCOMING: DEVOTED SEMINAR coming up on Sunday, November 22 from 3-6pm. The author of the **DEVOTED** book, Arron Chambers, will be here and conducting this seminar.