

THE *Big 3*

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It is time to rethink and reshape the medium of our message, how we live together and incorporate others into this life of faith, and demonstrate the gospel in action. Let's get started!

Here are three key things to believe and consider when re-evaluating the message your church is putting out there:

Head... heart... hands...

1. **Assigned greeters, rowed seating, staging, lights and sound are all awesome... for a rock concert.** But they may not be helping to show people what our heavenly Dad, his Son and this life as Christians is really all about. A special few people who do most of the communication with little to no personal interaction or participation is NOT what the early church was experiencing together.
2. **The Church is a family, and we're in this together.** Because of Jesus, we have God's favor on our lives—every day of the week. This is all really good news! Homes, daily meals, serving others, praying and learning together. Miraculous signs and healing. Organic growth. These are the mediums of life as a family—a family that can change the world!
3. **People are literally dying for relationship.** With you, and more importantly, with God! It is fine to have parts of our church services that are tradition and bring great meaning to us, the Church. But everything the Church is supposed to be about is Jesus' mission of making disciples. And discipleship happens in relationship. Look for ways to saturate your services with relational step-on points for people *beyond* Sunday morning. Then, at your table, over a cup of coffee, you can begin to show them more of what Dad is like!

Also, download our free 10 Benchmarks of a Healthy Missional Church Assessment. This Assessment will help you re-order and refocus your church's efforts toward true missional health and increased incarnational presence in your neighborhood or city.

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