

THE Big 3

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The church, for a long time, has majored in holding worship gatherings and minored in discipleship and mission. It's time to restore balance to this and once again embrace what brought vitality and explosive growth to the church: disciples making disciples.

Here are three key things to believe and consider about leading the scattered church...

1. **The Church was always meant to be both a Gathered and a Scattered people. We need both if we are going to grow.** Our maturity in Christ and depth of transformation best happens as we live as Jesus lived and as we make disciples the way he did: out on mission. Take advantage of this scattering to lead deeper into the more “sodalic” and missional forms of BEing the Church. Use your gathered experiences to prepare your people for a lifestyle of discipleship... not just ‘business as usual’ while we wait.
2. **The opportunity for the Good News of the gospel to be heard, seen, and experienced by not-yet-believers is big right now!** We were created in the image of a good, present, loving, powerful, and creative God and sent with the high calling to make disciples of Jesus, who is the glory of God, showing everyone what He is truly like. That happens across tables, over meals, on walks, and while serving. Let's create a legacy and reputation in these times that will transform all the days ahead.
3. **Steward this time of change and openness to the “new”.** Spend extra time equipping your people in the only mission Jesus gave us: making disciples who make more disciples of Jesus. Exercise low control but high accountability to help your folks get into new understanding, rhythms, and practices. Paint pictures with your life for them. Show them how this is paving the road to a new way of BEing in the future as this crisis passes.

Remember... what if this pandemic and all the changes it's brought to the church is not happening TO us but happening FOR us? Leaders: perhaps you have been placed in your position for such a time as this!

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