

EPISODE: 316 TITLE: Looking Back To Move Our Church Forward

The kingdom of God has come, and our King desires to have our entire life. He doesn't just give us a ticket to a happy afterlife. He wants us to be a part of his work today. Every day.

Here are three key things to believe and consider about Kingdom growth and multiplication...

- Small is big and slow is fast. A life lived on mission with God, where your focus and priorities are reoriented around making disciples who make disciples, does not happen like flipping on a light switch and suddenly becoming a reality in your day-to-day experience. The early church was made up of very real and ordinary flesh-and-blood people. They weren't a fluke or a historical anomaly. The life they experienced in community together didn't happen overnight. And just as we saw with Jesus and his followers, you will need to start small, go slowly, and learn to trust God himself to guide you. We really do get to live this way!
- 2. This journey begins with a very important first step. As you're rethinking the patterns that Jesus established with his disciples, I encourage you to start believing what is true of you now: if you are a Christian, you are a part of God's family and commissioned to bear the family name and be a missionary servant and a disciple who makes disciples in all of life. This is a part of your *identity* now. Being leads to doing. Let your true identity begin to shape the things that God has for you ahead.
- 3. What small, yet profound thing did you take away from this episode? What little "mustard seed" is starting to grow in the field of your heart now? What is one thing you can start doing, and lead others to do, that would not create too much disruption to your schedule, but would start to head you down the path of discipleship as a way of life? Ask God to give you the courage where needed to begin to live in light of these truths. Commit this to prayer, tell someone else about it, and start tomorrow! (Or today!)

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