BREAKING THE ICE

What was your first car? Was it a gift or did you pay for it?

Do you have a purpose statement for your life? If so, will you share it with the group? If not, have you thought about creating one?

MAIN CONTENT

This week Pastor Kevin started our series, "MVMNT." There's a movement of Jesus that we get to be a part of.

1. What's one thing that stuck out to you from this week's sermon?

After Jesus died and rose from the grave, He commissioned the Apostles to go and tell others about Him. The disciples were not perfect and didn't feel qualified to do the things Jesus has asked them to do. They still had doubts and they still messed up, but Jesus trusted them to do the work He called them to do. Jesus never doubted the disciples' ability to tell others about Him.

2. Have you ever doubted that you aren't qualified to tell others about Jesus? Have you moved from doubt to confidence? How did you move from doubting your ability to tell others about Jesus to believing you can?

The disciples' purpose is the same as our purpose: to help people find and follow Jesus. We don't have to do that on our own. That's our purpose but with that purpose, God gives us a promise, that He will be with us.

God gave us the Holy Spirit to empower us to love people and help people find and follow Jesus. We are a part of His strategy for the people of Middle Tennessee.

3. How do you help people find and follow Jesus in your life?

In Sunday's message, Pastor Kevin said, "God has to move in our hearts before He can move in our city." We need to have His word planted within us to help others know more about Him.

Read Acts 1: 1-8

In the scripture, we read about the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit has been promised to us to do the work God has called us to do, to share about Jesus all over our city and throughout the world.

4. What is the last thing God has called you to do? Did you obey God and do the thing God asked you to do?

Sometimes we are stuck in our lives because we aren't currently in obedience to what God has called us to do. The things God has called you to do may seem overwhelming and difficult but remember God's promise to us: He will be with us (through His Spirit).

God doesn't want us to wait alone for what He has called us to do. He gives us access to Him and wants us to surround ourselves with others who can help us with what He has called us to do.

5. Who has God placed in your life to help you carry out what He has asked you to do? Describe how they have helped you.

Just like Jesus had people surrounding Him, He wants you to have people to do life with and help you find your purpose and what God has called you to do. But it's easy to get in our own routine and forget the people around us that God wants us to invite into our lives.

Our purpose to help people find and follow Jesus can be done together when we ask God to help us see people as He does.

6. Where in your life can you help people find and follow Jesus?

At the end of the message on Sunday, Pastor Kevin told a story about two groups of people in life: people known to be lost and people known to be saved.

7. Which group of people do you belong to, known to be lost or known to be saved? Who in your life is known to be lost? How can you help them find and follow Jesus?

CLOSING PRAYER

God, thank you for Your Word and the promise of Your Spirit in Your word that is available to help us. We're grateful for the opportunity to help others find and follow Jesus. Help us find the people and areas of our life where we are given the opportunity to fulfill the purpose You have given us. Guide our reading of the book of Acts over the month of August and show us new things about Your church and the purpose You have for us. In Jesus name, Amen.

ACTION STEP

Follow along with reading the book of Acts this month at *www.crosspoint.tv/acts*. Come back next week to talk about what God has taught you through your reading this week.