

# Sermon Notes

Series: The Blueprint - The Church God is Building

SESSION 3

## A CHURCH THAT REACHES OUT

Northwest Church is ON MISSION with Jesus to see the lost saved and disciples made. This is our mission statement and the four words that help summarize HOW we accomplish our mission as a church family are: REACH, RESTORE, EQUIP and SEND. Last week Pastor Ben talked about REACHING UP TO GOD IN PRAYER. This week we are talking about REACHING OUT to others in the love, truth, and power of Jesus.

**Mark 16:15-16** - And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

These are some of the last words that Jesus spoke to his disciples before he ascended into heaven. Often referred to as the Great Commission, in this passage Jesus commands us to go and share the gospel with all people.

When we talk about reaching people, we have to acknowledge that it is multi-faceted. Jesus reached out to people in so many ways (provision, healing, deliverance, compassion, teaching, preaching, prophesying, caring words, compassionate works, and loving touch). For us to advocate one way as the only way would be out of balance, which is why we must approach several aspects of this topic in seeking to reach the hearts of people, no matter what it takes. If our goal is to reach people in the name of Jesus then everything at our disposal becomes an instrument of God's work through our lives.

Here are three ways that we can partner with the Lord to reach people.

### WE REACH OTHERS BY BEING A GOOD EXAMPLE

### WE REACH OTHERS BY DOING GOOD DEEDS

### WE REACH OTHERS BY SHARING GOOD NEWS

Here are some ways you can join us in REACHING OUT through NWC

#### •Local

Food Pantry  
Hope for Families Ministry  
Neighborhood Prayer Walk  
NWC Home Mission – Ministry to the Homeless

#### •Teams

Royal Family Kids Camp  
Teen Reach Adventure Camp  
Summer Mission Team

#### •International (when travel is allowed again)

Medical Mission Teams  
Studio Del Creador in Tecate, Mexico

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is your preferred method of reaching out to people?
2. How can you challenge yourself to use some of the other methods to reach out?
3. Have you ever written down your testimony? Try it and share it with someone!