

# WEEK 7:

WHY SHOULD WE GO INTO THE MISSION FIELD?

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## Open in Prayer

Open each week with prayer. This campaign is focused on the idea of living with God's heart for His mission. This is only possible through the work of the Holy Spirit, and must begin in prayer.

## Watch the Video for Week 4 Together

Video is found on RightNow Media, YouTube and [mitchellberean.com/mission](http://mitchellberean.com/mission)

## Small Group Discussion

There are 3 key places we can enter into the mission God has for His Church.

1. **Where We Live**
2. **Where We Work**
3. **Where We Play**

Our mission statement as a church is as follows:

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In this week's sermon we saw the final aspect of our mission statement at Mitchell Berean, living on mission. Living on mission starts where we live, where we work, and where we play. Although God may call certain individuals to be "missionaries" in the sense of being sent to a certain demographic or region, we all are called to missions in our everyday life. The sermon also made it clear that our motivation and power in persuasion is love. Paul describes what true love is in 1 Corinthians 13. Take some time to reflect areas of your heart that may not be walking in love according to 1 Corinthians chapter 13. If we can be transformed by the love of Christ, we will be able to confidently step into the action points presented this past Sunday.

# Questions to Consider

## 1. Where We Live

The most accessible mission field we have is our own family. Husbands are called to love their wife like Christ loves the Church. Wives are called to compliment their husband through submission to help him towards Christ-likeness. Parents are called to discipline their children, and children are called to honor their parents.

How can you actively live on mission where you live?

Cross References:

**Ephesians 5:15-20:** *So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do. Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts. And give thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Ephesians 6:1-4:** *Children, obey your parents because you belong to the Lord, for this is the right thing to do. "Honor your father and mother." This is the first commandment with a promise: If you honor your father and mother, "things will go well for you, and you will have a long life on the earth." Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord.*

**Proverbs 22:6:** *Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it.*

## 2. Where We Work

All of us "work" somewhere. Whether we are working 9 to 5, sales, online, or stay at home parents working on raising our children, we are impacting people.

How can you intentionally be on mission at work?

Cross Reference:

**Ephesians 5:5-9:** *You can be sure that no immoral, impure, or greedy person will inherit the Kingdom of Christ and of God. For a greedy person is an idolater, worshiping the things of this world. Don't be fooled by those who try to excuse these sins, for the anger of God will fall on all who disobey him. Don't participate in the things these people do. For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. So live as people of light! For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true.*

## 3. Where We Play

We all have some sort of recreation. This is a great place to be on mission. Recreation creates a relational touch point that cultivates relationships and opens doors for spiritual conversations

How can you be intentional about living on mission where you play?

Cross Reference:

**1 Corinthians 10:31:** *So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.*

## Group Fellowship & Prayer

**Discuss.** As you pray and discuss this week's sermon and questions with one another, please try to be vulnerable.

**Pray.** Spend some time exchanging prayer requests and minister to one another's needs.

**Hang out.** Getting to know one another is a vital part of obtaining God's heart to strengthen the church and reach the lost.

## Weekly Challenge

**Make Goals.** Pick one area we discussed this week. Whatever area you chose, right down three ways you can intentionally advance the Gospel and edify people for the sake of the Gospel. Share your goals with at least one person who can hold you accountable to them for the month of November.