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# LET'S GO: MEND THE WORLD

# Warm-Up Question:

What are some of the broken people or things around you where you live, work or play that burden you and could use "mending"?

## READ: John 13:37-38; Matthew 4:23; Revelation 21:5a

## **I. GETTING MENDED**

- How did Peter get humbled by his own sin and see his own need of Jesus? Why was this important before he got sent out to minister to others?
- Can you relate with the tension when sincerely wanting to serve someone but also wanting to get the credit for doing it? Give examples from your life.
- How was Peter "mended" by grace after his denial? How have you been humbled or mended by grace that better equips you to minister to others now?

# **II. MENDING THE WORLD**

- Read Matt. 4:23. Share some of your favorite stories of how Jesus brought healing to what was broken around him.
- In what ways are you tempted to live for your own flourishing instead of those around you? How do you want God to work in this area of your life?
- The Church is "Mission HQ," but all we do M-F is to be missional. What are everyday opportunities you have to bring healing to broken people & things?
- Share some of your favorite stories of how God has used you or some you know to bring healing to what is broken around you.

## **III. ALL THINGS NEW**

- Read Gen. 3:17 & Rom. 8:20-22. How have you felt the curse affect some of your efforts to have an impact (family, work, ministry)?
- ▶ How do 1 Cor. 15:58 & Gal. 6:9 bring hope to our seemingly fruitless labor?
- Read Rev. 21:5. You are part of God's grand narrative to bring newness to all broken things. How and where specifically do you want God to use you?

Quotes From Missionaries Which ones motivate you?

He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose. - Jim Elliot

Expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God.

I'm not afraid of failure; I'm afraid of succeeding at things that don't matter. - William Carey

God uses men [and women] who are weak and feeble enough to lean on him. - Hudson Taylor

## **Digging Deeper**

- What is God calling me to do? How would it change my life if I really believed & lived it out?
- What makes this difficult (our sin, idolatry, weakness, finiteness, inconsistency)?
- What does the text say about:
  1) My relationship with God
  2) My view of myself
  3) My relationship with others (family, friends, neighbors)
  4) My work/calling
- What is the grace or promise of God that motivates me to to these things?

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