



## **Joining Jesus On His Mission**

**Video 2: “Jesus On A Mission”** Colossians 1:19-20 and Revelation 21:5 | Book chapter 2

Welcome to the online version of *Joining Jesus On His Mission* sponsored by Bethany & Holy Cross. For each of these online sessions you will read a portion of the book *Joining Jesus On His Mission*, watch a short video and then spend some time processing through the material. You may find it helpful to do this class with at least one other person. That could be a spouse, family member or good friend. Processing with another person will help greatly as you encounter the topics in the book. The videos are copyrighted and password protected. Please do not share the videos with others, especially on social media. So, are you ready? Let’s see what Jesus is up to!

Please Read Chapter 2 before you watch the video.

Video 1 link- <https://vimeo.com/517289953>

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### **Processing Our Insights:**

- 1) This video segment focuses on the new mission mindset we are invited to have as we join Jesus on his mission.
  - How would you sum up this new mission mindset?
  - How does this new mission mindset change the way you think about being on mission?
  - What is the mission of Jesus? And is his mission accomplished by getting people to a worship service or by helping people meet *him* wherever they may be? (Follow up question: What is the role of a worship service in the mission of Jesus?)
- 2) Four terms were introduced and defined. How would you explain each term to a friend?
  - “Missional Living”
  - “Missional Community”
  - “Neighborhood”
  - “Neighboring”
- 3) Greg indicated that our group is already beginning to act like a missional community. He said, “A Missional Community is a smaller group of neighborhood missionaries who gather regularly to support each other as they learn to live their lives as a mission trip.”
  - Why do you think it would be important for neighborhood missionaries like us to regularly gather together like Greg describes? (See Hebrew 10:24-25)
  - What is the mission statement of our church (or what is the gist of it)? How would missional communities help accomplish our stated mission?

4) Only Jesus can do Jesus-work. Only Jesus could die on the cross and rise again to take away our sins. Only Jesus can know what's stirring around in the deep places of a person's heart. Only Jesus can ripen a person so that our seed of kind-attention, gentle-truth or longed-for-grace lands at just the right moment.

- Jesus speaks of looking for "ripe" people in John 4:35. What does it mean for a person to be ripe?
- What if a person is not yet ripe?
- How does the analogy of the apple tree help you?

5) At the end of this video segment the Finke's invited us to take up the instruction of Jesus to open our eyes and look around. Who has the Father already put nearby us at home, at work, at school, etc.? Jesus wants us to understand that he is already working in their lives and that many of them are ripe for a little grace, friendship, wisdom or a listening ear.

However, in order to know how Jesus may be ripening them, we need to know their name and a little of their story. In the coming week, let's take a small but intentional step toward joining Jesus in our neighborhood. Here is your challenge: Go around to as many of your neighbors as you can in the coming days and find out the following:

- What is their name?
- What is a little of their story? For example: when and why did they move here, what do they do for a living, what do they do to unwind?

**"A-Ha!" Insights to Action:** What was the most significant insight you had as a result of today's video and discussion? Take **3 minutes** to write down your insight and what you think Jesus might be giving you to believe and/or do as a result. This is your self-identified assignment for joining Jesus in the coming days. In addition, will you take up the challenge in Question 5?

In the coming days *watch for opportunities Jesus will give you* to put your self-identified assignments into play. The next time your group meets be ready to tell the stories of what happened (whether little or large).