

Joining Jesus, Session 3, Chapter 3

- 1) "The River has moved." Discuss what this means.

How has our country changed when it comes to the place that the church plays in the lives of individuals?

Discuss examples from pages 38-40 of Pastor Finke's book.

How do we respond?

- 2) Are we ever engaged in "secret discipleship"?

See John 12:42-43.

What in contrast would Christ have us do?

See Acts 13:47.

See Philippians 2:14-16.

- 3) We can't move the river back. But what can we do instead?

"We can send missionaries to the mission fields of our own subdivisions, neighborhoods and apartment complexes. We used to think of people as being "overseas missionaries." But now we can think of people as being "neighborhood missionaries" (p. 41).

- 4) "The good news is that Jesus has uniquely ripened the culture for the Church to once again go and *be* the Church in our neighborhoods, workplaces and schools. If the culture won't come to our church buildings, the Church can go to them" (page 43).

Joining Jesus, Session 3, Chapter 4

1) What does it mean to “stall”?

When have you stalled?

2) Think about some people in the Bible who stalled.

Moses – Read Exodus 3:7-14, 4:1-14

Jonah – Read Jonah 1:1-17

3) Why do we stall?

Why do we stall when it comes to missional living?

4) How do we overcome the temptation to stall?

Remember who does the work, whose mission it is.

Read Acts 4:13.

Read Matthew 10:19-20.

5) What happens if we only stall? What happens if we stop stalling?

6) “After you have read the last book, you will still need to actually do something” (page 47).

“We will still have to actually do something in order to make a missional difference in the life of a real human being” (page 47).

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