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September 2019

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FREEDOM IN CHRIST COURSE  
CRAFT MORNINGS  
LITTER PICK  
MESSY CHURCH  
NEWDAY  
MENS MEALS  
LEAD  
ENOUGH  
LADIES CRAFT EVENINGS

**SALVATIONS**  
**BAPTISMS**  
NEW FAMILY MEMBERS  
PERSONAL GROWTH  
DEEPENING RELATIONSHIPS  
VISITORS  
HEALING  
PROPHECY

SHARED SUNDAY LUNCHES  
INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY  
GUEST SPEAKERS  
PRAYER COUSE  
GUEST SERVICES  
ALPHA COURSE  
ENOUGH  
SPIRIT CAFÉ  
MORNING MINISTRY TIME

**...HIM BUILDING HIS CHURCH, JUST AS HE PROMISED**

# VISION SUNDAY

## SEPTEMBER 2019

*"Where there is no prophetic vision the people are discouraged..."*  
Proverbs 29:18a (ESV)

*"Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it."*  
Habakkuk 2:2 (ESV)

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REMINDER: The need for vision – why it is important to us.

QUESTION:

What is the purpose of your life? I wonder whether that is something you have pondered recently...?

Well I want to suggest that the answer, at least in part is given to us by Jesus in Matthew 28 – The Great Commission.

**Matthew 28:16-20** (ESV)

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FOLLOW WORSHIP MAKE DISCIPLES

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### 3 Quick observations:

1. We are to follow Jesus – go where He directs us
2. We are to worship Him
3. We are to make disciples

Here then is a 1, 2, 3 of the purpose of our lives – follow Jesus worship Jesus and make disciples of Jesus.

Ever wondered why we don't go straight to heaven when we are born again, when we become disciples – Christians? It is because we have a purpose. And I want to suggest that this purpose is – to make

disciples.

And we have embraced this as our vision as a Church here at King's...

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**BE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS**

**GROW (AS) FOLLOWERS OF JESUS**

**MAKE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS**



## **BE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS**

- As we read, we are to follow Jesus
- Also – we are not to point the way, but to take people with us – not travel agent but tour guide

## **GROW (AS) FOLLOWERS OF JESUS**

- We have to take responsibility for our growth in Jesus – deepening our relationship with Him
- We are to help others Grow by befriending, encouraging, supporting, praying for and sharing prophetic word with them

## **MAKE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS**

- We are all witnesses, we all have a responsibility to share the Good News of the Gospel – individually and collectively – it is not a job we leave to evangelists!

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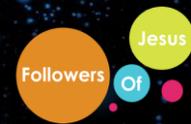
**Making Disciples using:**

**WORDS**

**WORKS**

**WONDERS**

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So what does making disciples involve?

## **WORDS**

We do have to preach the Gospel

We fear that we cannot preach or will not know the answers if we talk to people. So, depending on how brave we feel we may or may not use words. Sadly, all too often these days the 'words of the Church' just communicate what we stand against rather than what we stand for...

By the way, there are some great tools available –

one of which, the 3 circles you can access through our Church website:

[www.kingscommunitychurch.org.uk](http://www.kingscommunitychurch.org.uk).

Another great way to use words is to tell our story – have your testimony ready – no one can dispute your personal experience!

## **WORKS**

Social justice – serving the poor, the vulnerable and the needy in our society – may be by giving to Charity or by physically serving the community in some way

And I fully advocate this – but it's not enough – many people and organisations do good works, they are not necessarily Christians and they are not making disciples. We are instructed by Jesus to look after the poor and the vulnerable, but again, on its own, this is not enough.

WORDS and WORKS are certainly needed to reach those that don't yet know of the Father's love and how they can have relationship with Him restored by choosing to make Jesus their Lord and Saviour.

When Jesus reaches out he consistently starts first with **WONDERS**. Healings, miracles, words of knowledge – these express the Father's love and open the door to

## His words and His Works

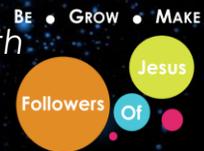
When Jesus preaches the Gospel He also uses signs & wonders, miracles and healings. They are a sign that the Gospel, that the love of God is real.

And maybe you are sitting there thinking, that's all very well, but Jesus is God and I am not. Which is true. However we have been given authority and also been told that we are to do even greater things than Jesus did: 1 John 14:12 - "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.

I'd like to continue building this case by turning to Wonders, accompanied by Words and Works is a powerful combination and as we will see from one of my favourite passages in Scripture, a winning formula. Sadly we don't have time to read it all, but let's turn to Acts 2 and head down to verse 42.

## Acts 2:42-47 (ESV)

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favour with all the people. **And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved**



So we have missed out lots of very important and exciting content.

1. They have been filled with Holy Spirit – as promised by Jesus
2. Peter has addressed the crowd
3. They are so high on Holy Spirit that they are accused of being drunk
4. Holy Spirit miraculously translates Peter's words into many different languages
5. Many people respond to the Gospel and are baptized

Read it when you get home and be inspired – Acts 2

is what Church is meant to look like – and it's wonderful

And then we get to these verses on the screen – read them

I think of them as a recipe for Church...

## DO THIS

1. People are devoted to the teaching of their leaders and to one another – regularly meeting together
2. They have communion together – in fact that is so important they do it when they are together and at home
3. They pray together
4. They are ALL filled with Holy Spirit
5. They experience signs and wonders - miracles
6. They look after one another
7. They serve the poor
8. They are grateful
9. They are generous
10. They praise God

## GET THIS

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7. They serve the poor      WORKS

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The outcome: **And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved**

**Want to see that? Then we do the former...**

**Now we are going to go on and talk about some initiatives and changes for the coming season that help support the outworking of our vision.**

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**PRAAYER**

**DISCIPLESHP**

**SERVICE SUNDAY**

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And he [Jesus] said to them, "**The harvest is plentiful**, but the laborers are few. Therefore **pray earnestly** to the Lord of the harvest to **send out labourers** into his harvest. Luke 10:2 (ESV)



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## REMINDER OF PROPHETIC WORD FROM KEITH HAZEL

We are not going to be a Church that gleans from the edge of the field, but one that reaps a harvest from the centre of the field.

There are 10s of thousands of people in this town and the surrounding villages that don't yet know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour – we have a massive potential harvest.

I was struck recently that in Biblical times, orphans and widows were allowed to glean from the edge of the field. However, the owner harvested from the centre. We have been given the authority to go and reclaim what belongs to Father – the lost – from the centre of the field – not meekly pick off a few from the edge.

And this means labourers!

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# PRAYER

- **WEEK OF PRAYER (TERMLY)**
- **SUNDAY MORNINGS 9:45 to 10:15**
- **SUNDAY MORNING DURING SERVICE**
- **PARTICIPATE IN ENOUGH**



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## THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER: FOUNDATION OF ALL WE DO

Week of prayer – starting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September.  
Details to follow. To be a termly event.

Re-launch Sunday morning prayer – replacing poorly attended monthly meeting on a Sunday evening

Sunday morning prayer time during our service, initially led with by Barry and Alison and Admiral and Nilu

Recommit to ENOUGH and participate in greater

numbers

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# DISCIPLESHIP

**EVERYONE EQUIPPED TO DISCIPLE NEW CHRISTIANS USING 3THIRDS MODEL**

1. Repent and Believe
2. Be Baptized
3. Be Filled with the Holy Spirit
4. Make Disciples
5. Pray
6. Love
7. Celebrate Lord's Supper
8. Forgive
9. Give
10. Gather

THE 3THIRDS DISCIPLESHIP MODEL		
1 LOOK BACK	2 LOOK UP	3 LOOK FORWARD
1. Mutual care: How are you going?  2. Worship: Praise God in a simple, relevant way.  3. Accountability* a. Follow: how did you obey the lesson from last time? b. Risk: Did you pray with anyone who was in need? c. Did you share your story and/or Jesus' story? d. Did you find a person of peace?	5. New lesson: Enough Biblical content to obey and pass it on.  Use the Discovery Bible Study Method:  a. Read the Bible story b. Ask them to re-tell the story in their own words  c. Ask four questions i. What does the story tell us about God? ii. What does this story tell us about people? iii. Is there a command to obey or an example to follow or a promise to live by? iv. How does this apply to my life?  6. Casting vision* for reaching lost people and making disciples.	6. Practice* the lesson until everyone is confident and competent to apply the learning, e.g. Retell your story, Jesus' story, or the week's story.  7. Set goals and pray* Goals for personal growth, sharing the gospel, and training others.  C.O.S.T. How are you going to: - Connect with God? - Obey? - Share with others? - Train others?
1/3 of your time (e.g. 20 mins)	1/3 of your time (e.g. 20 mins)	1/3 of your time (e.g. 20 mins)

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## DISCIPLESHIP – TAKES PLACE IN MANY FORMS

A big harvest needs many labourers!

ALL able to disciple

Given the tools to do so

Lived it in small groups: therefore we will all go through our discipleship for New Christians material

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## SERVICE SUNDAY

Guest  
Service

Service  
Sunday

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## SERVICE SUNDAY – STEPPING UP OUR OPPORTUNITIES FOR MISSION

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

Instead of Sunday Service, it will be Service Sunday

Evolution of Guest Service

### PROGRAMME

9:00 – 9:30

Set-up

9:30 – 10:00

Worship, soak and pray

10:00 – 10:30

Final preparation, get ready etc.

10:30 – 12:00            Run missional event (Messy Church, Spirit Café, etc.) and Prayer Room  
12:00 – 13:00            Set down and enjoy lunch together – hopefully with guests

## **MISSIONAL EVENTS**

Initially Children's Craft / Messy Church & Spirit Café – others may be added as God leads us