

Toward a Missional Theology

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Basic definition for *theology*: “thinking and talking about God.”

Deuteronomy 29:29 - The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law.

1. “Reverent agnostics” – we are not to make up what God *has not* revealed. (Deut 4:2; 12:32; Rev 22:18-19)
2. Guardians of our “stuff” – we own what God *has* revealed. We are to study his revelation and truly have it as our possession. (Ps 1; Proverbs; etc.)
3. Stewards of the future – we owe our children (biological and spiritual) what God has revealed: it *must* be passed on. (Deut 4:9-10; 11:19; Ezra 7:25; John 8:2; Acts 18:11; 1 Tim 6:20; 2 Tim 2:2; Titus 2:7-8)
4. Doers of the word – we *must* be changed by the encounter with God’s revelation of himself. (Rom 2:13; James 1:22-25)

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The Mission of God Starts With Christ

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Christ – “Christology”

Who is Jesus? Why was Jesus sent? What was his mission?
(John 14:6; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:30-31)

Mission – “Missiology”

What has Christ sent His Church to do? Why are we sent?
(Luke 19:10; John 17:18; John 20:21; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; 2 Cor. 5:14-15)

Church – “Ecclesiology”

How will His church cooperate with the mission of God? What is His church’s role in His plan? Definition of the Church: “Christian people demonstrating life under Lordship.”
(Matt. 16:18; Col. 1:17-18; Eph. 1:22)

Ministry

How will you serve God’s mission in your culture? What is our mission?
(Matt. 5:14-16; Acts 20:24; 2 Cor. 5:18-19; John 3:30; 1 Co 2:2; Gal 2:20; Phil 1:21; Phil 3:8-10; John 13:35; 1 Cor 13:1; Matt 5:46-48; I John 4:19-21; 1 Thee 2:8)

A definition of a “missional church”: The missional church is a collective community of believers who are passionately and authentically living out the mission of God in their local context.