

**Align Week 6 – Mission**  
Small Groups - Bethany Church Long Beach

**Intro:**

- Ask each person in your group to name three people they admire for their faith and why?
- What part of this week's message was the most challenging or interesting?

**Read Matthew 9:35-38 as a Group:**

1. Do you consider yourself a worker for the harvest?

**Read Matthew 22:37-39 and Matthew 28:18-20 and Acts: 1-8 as a Group:**

2. What would it look like to live out the great commission and great commandment in light of your ministry experience and gifts?
3. Where in your life are you connected with others, such that you could influence them by your faith? What keeps you or others from talking about God or sharing the Gospel?
4. "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8) In this verse, Jesus restates his commission to His disciples. How do you think this applies to your life? How are you called to witness to your faith?

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**Application:**

5. Which of the following most accurately describes your view on sharing your faith?
  - a. It makes me nervous or uncomfortable. It feels like an imposition, so I avoid talking about it.
  - b. I'll answer questions if someone asks, but I don't bring it up.
  - c. I try to talk about it on occasion when I think it is appropriate.
  - d. I evangelize regularly and talk to strangers about God regularly.
6. Tell about a time when you were welcomed to a gathering or meal as a newcomer. What happened and how did it make you feel?
7. Name some public places where you might connect with people so that you might have the opportunity to "welcome the stranger" or practice witnessing to your faith? (Some examples might be: At work. The gym (YMCA). The grocery store. The coffee shop. Your Kid's school.) What barriers are there to doing that?
8. How might you draw someone into a conversation about faith and God?

**Take some time to pray together.**