



10/18/2026 | A Community with a Mission

Reflect + Discussion

- When you hear the word "church", what do you think of? Are there images that word brings to mind? Do you think of a building, a Sunday service, a community, or something else?
- Pastor Charles shared that there are roughly 2.5 billion Christians around the world today. What stood out to you most about this statistic or the breakdown across continents? How does seeing Christianity on a global scale impact how you view your own faith and the broader Church?
- Read Luke 4:43. What does Jesus reveal about his mission in this verse? How does Jesus re-establish the kingdom of God? How is Kingdom of God 2.0 different from Kingdom of God 1.0?
- Read 1 Peter 3:15–16. Following Jesus can sometimes create discomfort in our friendships, workplaces, families, or communities. Have you come across a situation where following Jesus might put you at odds with the surrounding culture? How can you respond in a way that reflects both truth and love?
- Pastor Charles highlighted three common ways we try to avoid the discomfort or tension of following Christ: 1) We fit with the culture, 2) We hide from the culture, and 3) We change the culture to suit us. Which of these three tendencies do you find yourself leaning toward when things get uncomfortable? What does faithfully "holding the tension" look like in your everyday life?
- In your own words, what does it mean that the church is to be missional? What does this mean for you in your workplace, school, neighborhood, or other areas of life?
- How can our group practically encourage and hold one another accountable to this mission? Is there a specific way we can step out and live this mission together during this current season?

Pray

Spend some time praying for the church both locally and globally. You could pray for Blackhawk church and its mission, pray for churches in our area, and/or pray for the global church to faithfully live out its mission collectively. Pray that we would navigate the discomfort and tension we experience while following Christ, and if specific challenges came up in your discussion, pray about those in particular.

Next Steps

Check out the resources page for links to several Bible reading plans and other helpful tools. Explore other opportunities for growth and transformation by checking out courses.