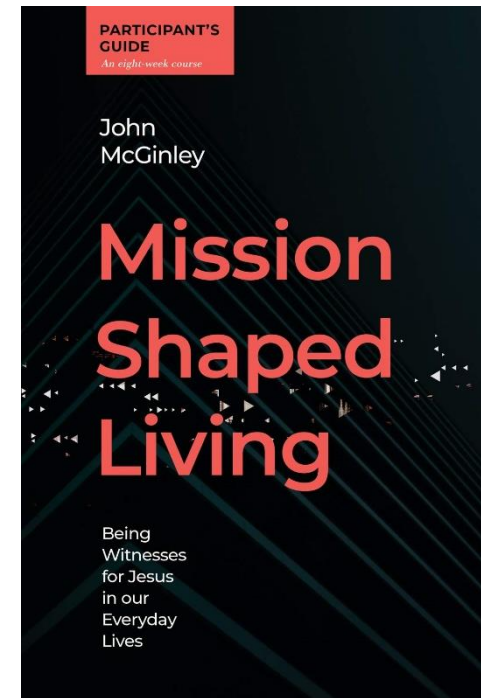


Mission Shaped Living

What is MSL all about?

- Seeking to create ‘prayerful, joy-filled, thankful people who live their lives on-mission with Jesus’
 - Not just a course... learning a **lifestyle of how to following Jesus** – with the whole of our lives!
- ‘We hope to enable the Holy Spirit to lead us into patterns of living and relationship which allow us to be the people Jesus is calling us to be, who will lead others to follow him’

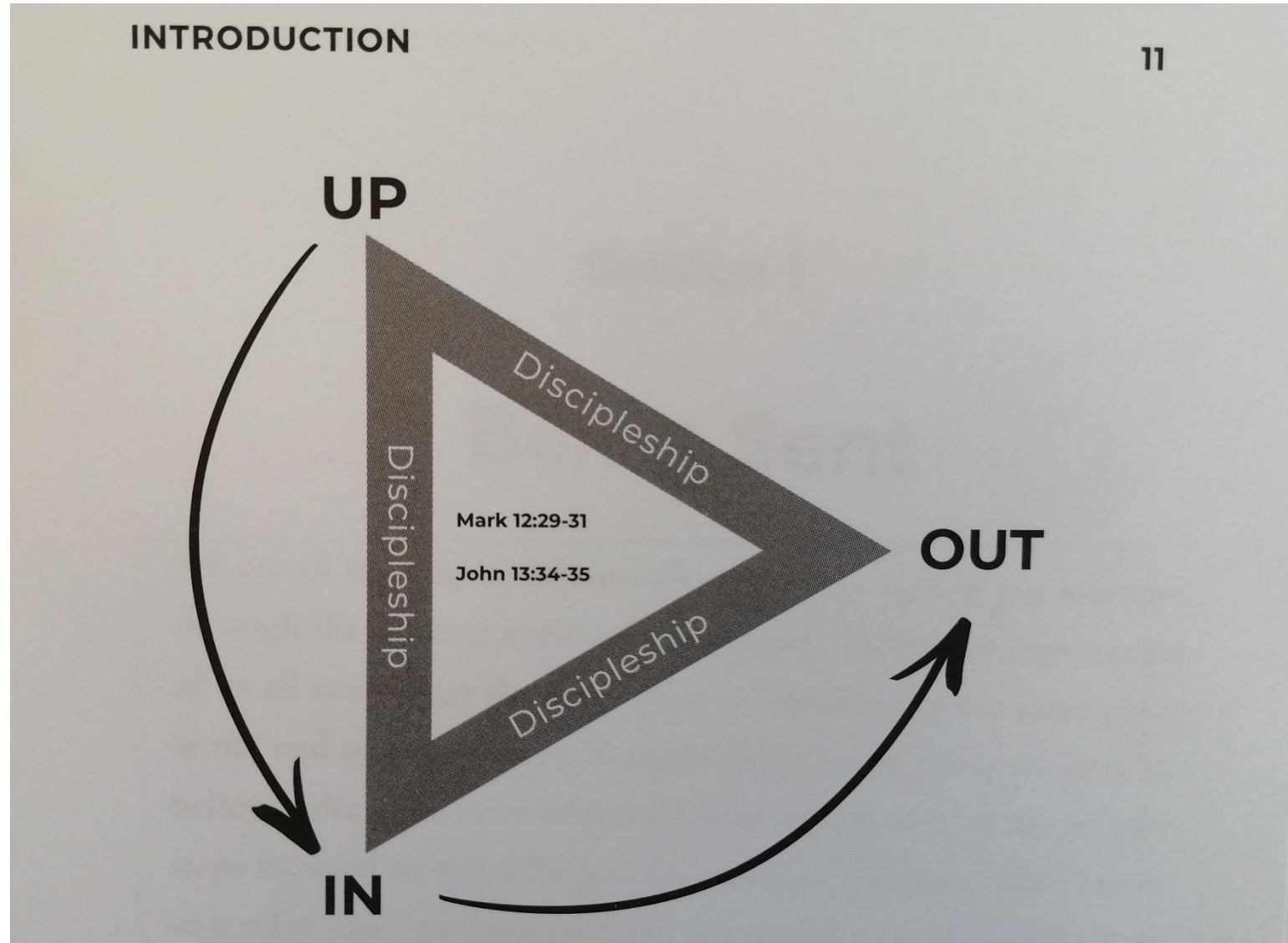


Journeying together...

- We all start from different 'places' but we journey and learn together
- Interactive & participative – share stories, pray for others
- Safe place to learn, to risk, to fail!
- Accountability
- WhatsApp group?
- High expectations of God



3D Discipleship





**We've all received the
gospel and are sent to
pass it on...**



- **How did you come to believe in Jesus?**
- **What difference has it made in your life?**





gratitude:

Put in chat...



What does it mean to be
'missional'?

The sending of Christ gives us the how of the mission as well as the reason for the mission: "As the Father sent me, even so, I send you". The way that we are to go, is shaped by the

Now, none of this is new, and that's the point. The early church was shaped by this kind of mission-mindedness, and the proponents of the missional movement make clear that what

God is a God on mission...



'Mission is the result of God's initiative, rooted in God's purposes to restore and heal creation' (Reggie McNeal)

God is a 'sending God'...

God calls a nation... ISRAEL

*'Leave your country...and go to the land I will show you.
I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you;
I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing...
...all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.'*

(Genesis 12:1-3)



God is a 'sending God'...

➤ **The Father sends the Son**

'For God so loved the world that he sent his only son that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have everlasting life' (John 3:16)

*'For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of Him who **sent Me.**'
(John 6:38)*

What was Jesus sent for?

- To seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10)
- To bring restoration, healing and life in all its fullness (Luke 4:18-19; John 10:10)



God is a 'sending God'...

- **The Father sends the Son**
- **The Father and Son send the Holy Spirit**

*'But the counsellor, the Holy Spirit , whom the Father will **send** in my name will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you...' (John 14:26)*



God is a 'sending God'...

➤ The Father and Son send the Holy Spirit

Acts 1:4-5,8:

On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

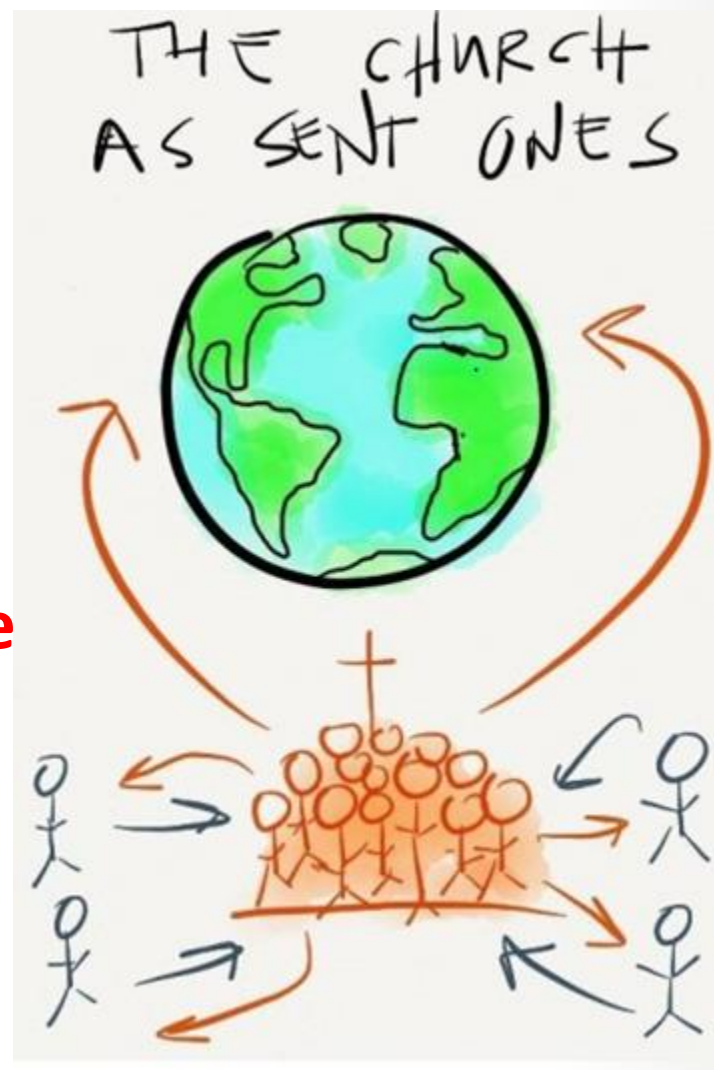
⁸...you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."



God is a 'sending God'...

- **The Father sends the Son**
- **The Father and Son send the Holy Spirit**
- **The Father and Son and the Holy Spirit send out the church**

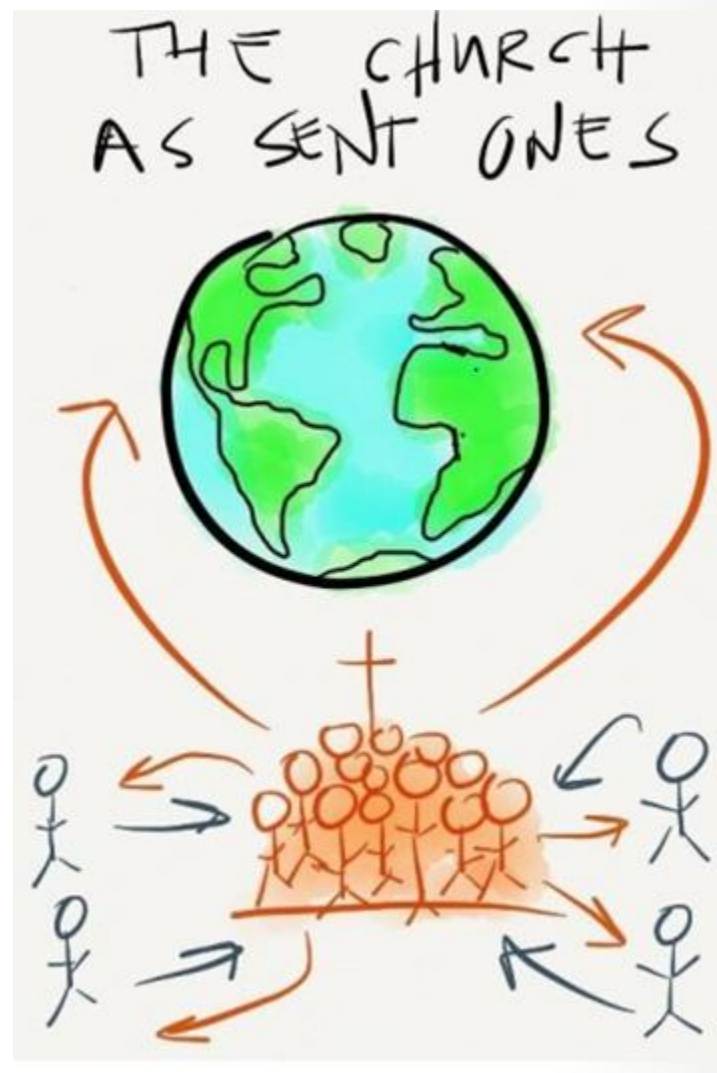
'As the Father has sent me, I am **sending** you' (John 20:21)



God is a 'sending God'...

Matthew 28:18-20

¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore **go and make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."



The Sending of the 72

Luke 10:1-20

What strikes you? Put in chat!

- Confidence and courage (v2-3)
- Compassion (v8-9)
- Connecting (v5-6)
- Continuing (v7)
- Conversion (v9)

Group Discussion (p15-16)

- How do you feel about the fact that Jesus is calling you to represent him and reveal him to others?
- List the places and main relationships in which you spend the majority of your time each week (your frontlines)
 - Do you feel 'sent' to those places?
 - What are the challenges of being a witness for Jesus there?



Lord Jesus Christ, I am no longer my own but yours.

In gratitude for your saving death on my behalf, I offer my life to
you afresh.

Call me to the mission of your kingdom and open my eyes to the
spiritual need of those around me.

Give me your love and compassion for the lost, and strengthen
me with your grace to serve them and be a blessing to them.

Send me in the power of your Holy Spirit to witness to the
gospel and reveal you to those I meet.

Teach me how to make disciples and where I need to change my
attitude, lifestyle and habits.

I freely and wholeheartedly commit myself to this call, knowing
that in everything you will give me your inspiration, strength and
grace.

Glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you are
mine and I am yours. So be it.

Let this covenant now made on earth be fulfilled in heaven.

Amen