

# ON PURPOSE

## SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

***Aim:** To challenge ourselves in our responsibility to witness to the world the awesome good news of Jesus Christ.*

**Open:** When you hear the word “evangelism” what comes to mind? What thoughts, feelings, emotions?

**Read** Acts 1:6-11

- What were the disciples waiting for when Jesus appeared to them?
- The disciples still misunderstood the nature of Jesus’ kingdom. What did Jesus say to them in response to their question?
- What ‘charge’ did he then give them?
- What does it mean to be a ‘witness’?
- If this is one of our tasks, why do you think some Christians aren’t accustomed to the term “witness”? What does it mean or imply? Why are some uncomfortable with that?
- How did the disciples go out and fulfill this charge?

**Discuss:** read Col. 4:5

- Are there misconceptions or misunderstandings regarding “evangelism” that hold us back from being successful at it? What are some?
- Would you say that sharing the gospel comes easily to you or is it a difficult thing?
- What is the most challenging thing to you when it comes to sharing your faith?
- What do you think people are most afraid of when it comes to sharing their faith?
- Can you think of a time when you have been successful at sharing your faith with someone and they have responded by becoming a Christian?
- Did anybody in your group become a Christian because someone took an opportunity to share the gospel with them? Please share...
- How would you rate our church in this area of “evangelism”? Could you give us a grade?

**Pray**

*How can our group pray for YOU tonight?*