

SERMON SERIES: "BACK TO BASICS: REIGNITING OUR SPIRITUAL PASSION"

SERIES DESCRIPTION: This sermon series serves as the spiritual, biblical and practical framework around the Back to Church Sunday event. Congregations all over our nation gather to take part in a National Back to Church Sunday initiative. This is an intentional effort to reach out and invite our friends and neighbors to come see what church is all about. St. Mark's Church has become part of this nation-wide movement.

Each sermon is a call to church people to get back to our basic spiritual practices like faith, hospitality, love, spirituality and mission with the ultimate purpose of reigniting people's relationship with Jesus.

TODAY'S SERMON: REIGNITING OUR MISSION

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES: I Corinthians 12:12-14, 18-20, 27-31

THE BIG IDEA: when God created the Church, God designed it to be in perpetual motion pursuing a mission and fulfilling a purpose. The Church was never meant to be stagnant.

MY NOTES:

- A Missional Paradigm: The Body of Christ
- A Missional Paradox: How can we be a church on the move, a church on a journey, if our physical address is static
- A Missional Pitfall: To have "the form of religion without the power" (John Wesley)
- A Missional Promise: The Great Commission needs a great commitment

Action: Prayerfully consider asking God what is your part in the sacred mission God has given us as a church. St. Mark's has been entrusted with this region, so what are the practical ways you are going to get involved in fulfilling the purpose of our church? How would you contribute to keep St. Mark's church as a spiritual movement?