

1. Jesus Could Have Done It All — But Chose Not To

- Jesus was fully God and fully capable of sharing the Good News by Himself.
- Instead, He chose ordinary people and sent them out to teach, heal, and cast out demons.
- This shows that Jesus' plan from the start was partnership — we are invited into His mission.

2. Discipleship Means Multiplication

- Jesus made disciples who were told to make more disciples.
- The church's mission is not to rely on one pastor or leader but to empower many.
- God gives different gifts to each person to build up the body of Christ.

3. The Old Model vs. Jesus' Model

- The “pastor does everything” model leads to burnout and ineffective ministry.
- Moses had to learn this lesson when Jethro told him to share leadership.
- Empowering leaders takes time and courage but is God's design for a healthy church.

4. Knowing vs. Doing

- It's one thing to know we are called to serve, another thing to step into it.
- Like the eagles in the story — we must actually take flight.
- Living faith takes action, not just agreement.

5. The Call for Today

- Jesus sees not just who we are but who we can become.
- Every believer is called to use their gifts for God's mission.
- Filling out the time and talent form is one way to begin — stepping into your calling.

Reflection Questions

1. Why Did Jesus Choose Disciples?

- *Read:* Luke 9:1–6, Luke 10:1–3
- Why do you think Jesus sent the disciples out instead of doing everything Himself?
- How does this change how you see your role in God’s mission?

2. Gifts in the Body of Christ

- *Read:* Romans 12:4–8
- What gifts or abilities do you think God has given you to use in His church?
- How would our church look different if everyone used their gifts fully?

3. Sharing Leadership

- *Read:* Exodus 18:13–23
- What was Jethro’s advice to Moses?
- How can sharing leadership strengthen a church community?

4. Faith in Action

- *Read:* James 2:14–17
- What does it mean for faith to be “alive”?
- What is one concrete step you can take to put your faith into action this week?

5. Empowered by Jesus

- *Read:* John 14:12
- What do you think Jesus meant when He said His followers would do “greater things”?
- How does this encourage you (or challenge you) in your own calling?

6. Called to Action

- Have you filled out your time and talent form for St. John’s? If not, what do you think is keeping you from doing so?