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engage your mission

1. God has clarified that you should prioritize His mission for your life

prioritize priorities – “strategically valuing something that  
merits attention before competing alternatives”

*1 Corinthians 3:10-11*

*1 Corinthians 3:12-13*

*2 Corinthians 5:10*

*1 Corinthians 3:14-15*

*Matthew 22:36-40*

*Matthew 28:18-20*

2. You can't add God's mission to your already busy life; you have to begin with His mission and see what else fits

You've got to strategically, intentionally remove some pieces and parts from your routine in order to create more space to engage your mission

Part of the change is actually a "lens change" – putting on those OIKOS lenses and seeing your relational world thru the lens of being an intentional influencer

3. You engage God's mission by starting with your world

### **Now What?**

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# HOME GROUP NOTES

Week of October 8

Rooted & Reaching: Margin

In this series, we will focus on being “Rooted in Jesus and Reaching our worlds.” You can view all of this series’ messages at our website, [www.trinityonline.org](http://www.trinityonline.org).



## Share It

Do you ever feel like ‘my life is overcrowded?’ What kinds of things fill up the space?



## Study the Bible

Read 1 Corinthians 3:10-15 about Paul’s desire to be intentional to fulfill His mission in Christ.

What did the apostle Paul say was the source of his commission and skill? (v. 10, see also 1 Timothy 1:12)

What was His exhortation in v.10 to God’s other servants?

What was Paul’s point in v.13 concerning the work done?

What is the result of the work done? (v. 14-15; See also 2 Corinthians 5:10)

How does this compare to Peter's word in 1 Peter 4:10? Who is included?

What is the final result of our works? (2 Corinthians 4:15)



## **Discuss Together**

Our key point: "Creating margin is essential if you're going to engage your mission."

Why do we fill up our lives and schedules? What do we want? Why does this happen?

How can we get to doing what Jesus says matters most?

- Specifically, what is keeping my life so busy that I can't focus more on my mission?
- We all know that this is hard to discuss, but -- what specifically can you eliminate or cut back? What stuff would you like to take out of your overcrowded life?

Who is in your world that you believe God wants you to influence? What helps you pray for the people on your list?



## **Pray**

- For one another as we take inventory of our schedule and mission
- For the women who came to "The Well" last Thursday
- For the Light and Power ministry to the disabled



## **Apply It This Week**

Examine your schedule and consider what would free you to engage your mission?