

WEEKEND RESOURCES | **AUGUST 6, 2023** Week Two | For the Next Generation!

USE THESE QUESTIONS AND RESOURCES TO HELP YOU PROCESS THE MESSAGE IN YOUR PERSONAL STUDY TIME OR WITH YOUR GROUP.

Message Recap: Jesus uniquely allows his Church to be an agent of transformation for the world - and for the next generation. Kids and students face challenges every day and oftentimes feel entirely alone. But what if there were a group of adults who genuinely cared and invested more than just money into the next generation? We get to do this!

Main Points

- To maximize our potential and fulfill our mission as a church, everyone should serve somewhere.
- If everybody does a little, we can accomplish a lot.
- If you really want something, you will find a way. If you don't, you will find an excuse.

Setting Started

• Was there a time you previously volunteered at a church? If so, what did you do?

Observation

- Read and reflect on Acts 5:17-20, 27-32, 40-42; 6:1-7
- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?



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• It's important that we serve at our local church, but also take some time to find places to serve your neighbors, co-workers, family, or friends in the coming weeks.



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- In what ways have you observed the church in America declining? Why might that be?
- What would it take to reverse the trend of a declining church in America? Are you currently helping reverse that trend? What makes you say that?
- How are you uniquely gifted? What is a way you could contribute to the life and mission of the local church? Do any of these stand out as possibilities?
 - Ask someone to come sit with you.
 - Lead a small group.
 - Serve our children or students.
 - Help with production, greeting, or parking.
- If the faith of the next generation is worth everything, what can you do to invest relationally, financially, and with your time?



- Are you currently serving the Next Generation? If so, this week, think of 1 person you ask to join you in serving. You are one of the best recruitment tools our church has!
- If you're not currently serving the Next Generation, in what ways could you get involved? Could you pray weekly? Could you serve 1x per month? Could you help with Welcome and Check-in? Make a plan this week, and let us know!

\gg Next Steps and Prayer

- If you're currently not serving, what barriers are in the way of opting in?
- Close by praying that God would show you how he wants you to get involved and start serving.