SERMON OUTLINE

Clarity of Mission and Calling **April 10, 2022**

Transformative churches have a clear and compelling understanding of why they exist and what they are called to as a faith community. They can articulate their identities and missions. People at every level of the church can clearly answer the question: "What is the story we are called to live out as a community of Jesus followers?" Further, they express this focus in their allocation of resources and communal practices. threeriverscollaborative.com

Christ embraced His mission

Almost every detail of Jesus's life fulfilled a prophecy or at least harmonized with an important symbol or theme. He deliberately entered Jerusalem with the Passover lambs. He planned the whole process, then made it happen.

Micah 5:2, Exodus 12:1-11 Genesis 3:15 & 22:1-19 Matthew 16:13-28, Mark 8:27-38 Luke 9:18-27, John 7

Christ fulfilled His calling

Jesus knew who He was, what He had to do—and when and where and how. Despite how unimaginably hard He knew it would be, He chose to do what only He could do.

John 11-12, Matthew 21:1-17 Luke 19:28-47, Mark 11:1-19 Zechariah 9:9, Psalm 69:9

We follow Christ's example

Christ has saved us from the consequences of sin and from its power. He saved us into freedom and a new birth into a new, eternal purpose. We give our lives to share this opportunity with everyone, everywhere.

Mark 8:34-38, 1 Peter 1:17-23

Lord, I will...

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