

Series: We The Church
Sermon: Collaboration
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Daily Readings

Monday: Romans 16
Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 16
Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 13
Thursday: 1 Timothy 6
Friday: James 3:13-4:12
Saturday: Philippians 2

The purpose of the We The Church initiative is to mobilize all of God's people for the gospel saturation of North America. What is gospel saturation? It is the process of helping each person understand their role as ambassadors of the good news where they live, learn, work and play so that every man, woman, and child has repeated opportunities to see, hear, and respond to the good news of Jesus Christ.

Discussion Questions

1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
2. How did this message strengthen and/or correct your previous ideas about collaboration in the Church? Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
3. Read Romans 16:1-27.
 - a. Why do you think Paul emphasizes collaboration and co-laboring in the gospel? What does this teach us about the role of community in spreading the gospel?
 - b. Do you think it is easier or more difficult to collaborate today than it was when Paul wrote this to the church in Rome? Why? Why not?
4. How does collaboration across different backgrounds, cultures, or life experiences reflect the gospel? In what ways have you seen diversity strengthen the church's mission?
5. What experiences - positive or negative - have you had collaborating with others around the mission of Jesus? Consider: others from your church, others not from your church, and people who are different from you (ethnically, denominationally, etc.)
6. Why do you think it is sometimes challenging to collaborate? What are some ways to collaborate, despite these challenges?
7. How can you begin to collaborate around the mission together as a community group?
8. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

Action Step

Commit to spending time in prayer and journaling responses to these questions this week:

- Where do you see opportunities to collaborate more with others?
- What steps can you take to be a better co-laborer with your community this week?