



Global + Local = Glocal November 17, 2019

⁸ “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” – Acts 1:8

1 Chronicles 16:23-27

- ²³ Sing to the LORD, all the earth;
proclaim his salvation day after day.
- ²⁴ Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
- ²⁵ For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
he is to be feared above all gods.
- ²⁶ For all the gods of the nations are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens
- ²⁷ Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and joy are in his dwelling place.

Psalm 96:1-6

- ¹ Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
- ² Sing to the LORD, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation day after day.
- ³ Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
- ⁴ For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
he is to be feared above all gods.
- ⁵ For all the gods of the nations are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens
- ⁶ Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

1. Proclamation Locally – 1 Chronicles 16:23-24

- ²³ Sing to the LORD, all the earth;
proclaim his salvation day after day.
- ²⁴ Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

- When praise breaks out, it is intended to break out among all the nations.
- Day to day = local domains
- “His salvation”: Jesus’s death, burial, and resurrection
- Our thanksgiving and praise to God for what He has done for us should lead us to proclaim the good news as we go day to day in our domains.

2. Declare and Demonstrate Globally – 1 Chronicles 16:24

- ²⁴ Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

- The glory of God is His works among ALL nations and people groups.
- ALL means ALL!
- We are called to declare His glory and demonstrate His works among the nations.
- Proclaiming His salvation day to day in our domains locally and then using those domains to declare and demonstrate His glory and works globally.

For reflection and small group discussion:

Up Read **Acts 1:8**, and listen as your leader reviews the purpose of our gathering.

Reflect on these verses which exhort us to pursue God's purpose as we gather in our cells.

Hearing from God Together - Worship. Spend a little time listening to a song, singing together, or reading a psalm. Have you heard from God this week? Is God giving you a word to share with an individual or your T-Life group?

kin Building Up One Another in the Word

READ **1 Chronicles 16:23-27 and Psalm 96:1-6.** As you read,

REFLECT – Meditate on the passage and ask questions. What is the context of the passage? Enter into the Biblical scene in order to “see” the setting, the people, and the unfolding action. What are some words and phrases that the Holy Spirit is drawing my attention to? Do I know what the words and phrases mean? Do I understand what the Holy Spirit is saying through these verses?

RESPOND – What do you feel? Read this passage and look for how it speaks to your life. What specific situation in your life today relates to this passage? Are there beliefs, attitudes, or practices I need to adjust to deepen my relationship with Christ? Respond very specifically to what God has revealed to you in Scripture that speaks to your life. This is your personal response to the text: asking for graces, offering praise or thanksgiving, seeking healing or forgiveness. In this prayerful engagement with the text, you open yourself to the presence of God.

REST – Read the passage again, but this time, rest in God's presence in what He has spoken to you about your life through Scripture. Simply rest in the fact that God has spoken to you. Worship God for speaking to you and find strength, encouragement and hope, knowing you have just heard God; you have come into experiential contact with the One behind and beyond the text.

Reflection Questions

1. Other than the US, what country or countries are you most connected to? Do you know people in those countries, or perhaps have family there? Has the world gotten smaller over the last 20 years? Why or why not?
2. Read Psalm 96:1-6, a psalm of David. Then read Ezra's words in 1 Chronicles 16:23-27 written about 500 years later. Why do you think Ezra used David's words to encourage the people of Israel?
3. Both of these passages are in the Old Testament, before Jesus brought the good news to earth. What did “Declare His glory among the nations” mean back then? What does it mean now?
4. What marvelous deeds of God can you declare today?
5. Look at the verses that say “proclaim His salvation day after day.” Where are you “day after day”? Are you a world traveler or are you just going to your job and family activities? What does “proclaim His salvation” mean to you day to day?
6. What does *demonstrate* mean? How did Jesus demonstrate His love for people? Have you ever demonstrated the love of Jesus, serving locally or globally?
7. What does *proclaim* mean? Does it mean yelling through a bullhorn on a street corner? Or does it mean to give a reason for why you *demonstrate* the love of Jesus?
8. Have you volunteered to serve locally? Perhaps the Haltom Senior Center, or West Birdville Elementary? Are there other places you've volunteered? Do they know why you choose to spend your time volunteering? Why *do* you volunteer?
9. It's one thing to demonstrate (volunteer), it's another to proclaim why you choose to serve. Do the people you serve know why you choose to serve them? You can start by saying, “I serve because my faith in Jesus motivates me to love and serve you, and because you are precious to me and you are precious to Jesus.”
10. Do you believe your skills and passions can be used for the Kingdom of God locally? Do you believe your skills and passions can be used globally? Take the first step.

If you would like to be a part of a small group, called a T-Life Group, stop by the Information Center in the Village or contact us at TLifeGroups@NorthWoodChurch.org.



Share the name of someone you are praying for and with whom you desire to share Jesus. Have you seen any God activity in their life since you last met? Have you been *Bold as Love* in serving and sharing with them? Pray as a group that God would create circumstances in the person's life to make them open to receiving Jesus. Is any way you could show God's love to them as a T-Life Group? How are you serving OUT together as a T-Life Group?