New People, New Church? Developing Practices for Mission in the Church Planting Team

Church planting is all about mission. If you do not reach new people you will be the same group two years from now. But mission is about the practices that we develop in our life and the first church planting team. How do we lead our team into habits of missional practices? What could it look like? How do you go from good intentions (words and wishes) to faith and praxis?

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I. Gospel Identity

- A. Worshippers (John 4:23)
- B. Family (John 1: 12-13)
- C. Ambassadors (2 Corinthians 5: 17-21)

II. Some Gospel Rhythms

- A. Pray (Acts 2: 42)
- B. Bless (1 Peter 2:12)
- C. Eat (Acts 2: 46-47)

- D. Celebrate (Acts 2: 42-47)
- E. The Story of God (John 1:1)

III. Gospel Motivation

Suggested Readings:

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Vanderstelt, Jeff (2015), Saturate: Being Disciples of Jesus in the Everyday Stuff of Life, USA: Crossway