

How do you take an odd assortment of people who are far from self-confident and prepare them to change the world? Well, that's exactly what Jesus did with his followers. How did he do it? What is he doing today?

We have been focusing our thoughts these past few weeks on what it means to be a church that is reaching the people around us with the mystery of the gospel. We've talked about being devoted to prayer (giving our strength to prayer) asking God to open doors for the gospel. We've asked him to prepare us to seize opportunities to speak clearly when people ask us why we have hope. So, how do we know it is working? Where do we go from here?

**No need to speculate**

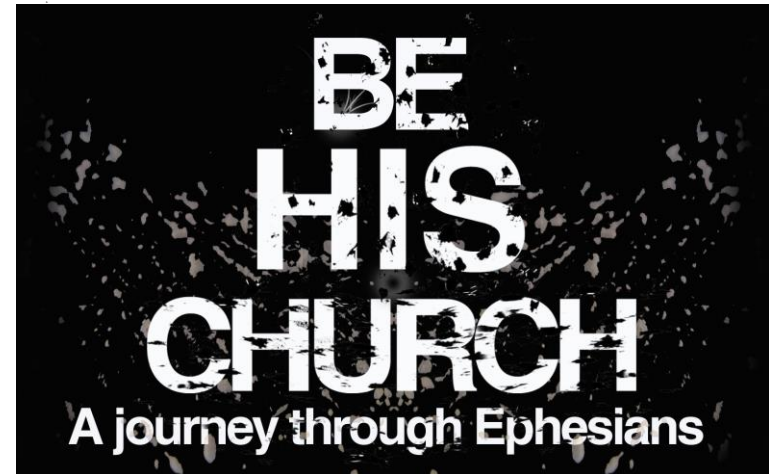
**Stick with what we know**

**Remain faithful**

**We have what it takes**

## Personal Application and Interaction

1. Public speaking, cliff-diving, barefoot skiing, and door-to-door sales....How do some people get the courage to try something they've never done before? Describe a time when you took an uncharacteristic plunge.
2. How are you doing when it comes to devoting yourself to praying for "open doors?" For whom are you praying?
3. Campus Crusade for Christ (now CRU) used to define successful evangelism as, "sharing Christ in the power of the Spirit and leaving the results to God." How do you relate to that?
4. What does it take to get you sidetracked when it comes to sharing Christ? When have you felt that your efforts were on target?
5. What does it take for ordinary people like us to be bold enough to tell others about Jesus? What are you doing to make this a well exercised priority in your life?



**We have what it takes!**

***Acts 1:1-11***

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