# GIOMS With Us

### **WEEK OF JULY 27, 2025**

# "GROW WITH US - Take Your Next Step Matthew 13:1-23

**SPEAKER: PASTOR MIKE BURNETTE** 

**ICEBREAKER** 

IF YOUR PERSONALITY WAS A PLANT, WHAT WOULD IT BE AND WHY?



#### Paragble of the Sower (Read Matthew 13:1-23)

- Pastor Mike mentioned four different soil types, hardened, rocky, thorn and thistles, and good. Share a time when your heart has been one or more of these.
- Pastor Mike said that the "primary reason we serve people here is so that the "dirt of their hearts" can be turned over and over and cultivated and prepared so that when the seeds of God's word are sown, they land on good soil, and the word will be fruitful and change their lives forever." If you're serving, how has this statement changed your perspective on your Sunday serve? If you aren't serving, how has this challenged you to get on a team?
- What are some barriers that have prevented you from actively serving on a dream team? How can you overcome those?

#### What Does it Mean to Make a Difference?

 Pastor Mike gave us four ways we can make a difference, connect with new people, build relationships with your team, empower others, and celebrate the wins. Which of these are easiest for you and which is the most difficult?

# **ACT ON IT**



# **ENCOURAGE**

You have the potential to be a difference maker. You may never know the heaviness people are carrying when they come here, but your heart to serve them and especially when it is your God-given purpose and giftings, will make a difference. Lifepoint is all about changed lives and you can be a part of it.



# **ASK**

Take time this week to read over the Lifepoint Leadership requirements and honor code. What areas within your personal life do you feel convicted to change in order to serve as a person of integrity?



## **CHALLENGE**

Pastor Mike said that everyone has a next step. It could be salvation, water baptism, leading a small group, receiving pastoral care, join/serve on a dream team. What is your next step?

God, thank you for caring about your children and changing lives. Thank you for the gifts you have given us to serve others. Help us to live out those gifts you've given us and use them to show people you. God, grow us in your word and faith, and cultivate the soil of our hearts so that we can help to sew seeds for others to land on good soil. Thank you for your love and goodness and faithfulness in your lives. We love you, we thank you! In Jesus' name, AMEN!