



Trans-*form* Notes

The Jesus Conspiracy Living as an Instrument

Reflect: (Spend time with God thinking about these statements or questions)

- ❖ Start by watching the DVD edited by Jude King and shot by Matt Wilson.

Interact: ***Use these questions only as needed, if there is enough to talk about without using these questions from Sunday, the video, and/or the daily practices allow those to shape the dialogue.

- ❖ After watching the video and listening to the sermon, what, if anything, do you relate to? Why?
- ❖ In what ways is the church a “peculiar people/contrast society”?
- ❖ What is the difference between “sending” and being “sent”? Is mission and activity of the church, or is it the result of God’s initiative, rooted in God’s purpose to restore, reconcile, and heal His creation? What are the implications for us as a church, if we view ourselves as sent instead of sending?
- ❖ Read 1 Peter 2:9-10. In a society that understands church participation as a private and personal choice, what is the significance of being called “a chosen people, a royal priesthood”?
- ❖ What does it mean to speak of the church as an instrument of the kingdom of God?
- ❖ How can your group be an instrument
- ❖ What would need to happen for our church, our Life Group to become a community of reconciliation?

- ❖ What does it mean to speak of the church as a “contrast society”?
- ❖ Take some time tonight or another night and seriously discern how God desires to use your group as an instrument in his kingdom. Brainstorm some ideas and then brainstorm how to make those ideas happen. Consider the gifts of everyone in your group. There are no bad ideas. Write everything down and then discern what you all can do together. This should not be a one time idea but something you can continue to do. You don’t have to finish this process in one night, but start it and continue to reflect on what God is calling you to.

Apply: (Look for ways to apply at least one concept to your life)

- ❖ Take some time and journey through the guidebook and/or visit the blog <http://upjesusconspiracy.blogspot.com/>.