

But First...

Heart and Hand

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5, 2022

We've learned a lot of things over the last 6 months because of the pandemic. Here's what we've learned, and here's where we're going next.

MESSAGE NOTES AND HIGHLIGHTS

- How did Disney World transform from acres of swampland to the most magical place on earth? Vision.
 - Where there is no vision, the people perish. | Proverbs 29:18
 - It's important to ask God to give you a vision of your life.
 - Ambition is about things that are temporary. God's vision for your life includes things that are eternal.
 - Our vision as a church is to see Every Person In the City know and follow Jesus.
 - Our goal is to have church online and in person every week starting April 3.
 - Our Center City and Northern Liberties locations will combine in NLB until they move to the theater in CC in the summer.
 - Our Parkside and Roxborough locations will combine at PRK until our new building is ready in Rox.
 - And all the people gave a great shout of praise to the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid. But many of the older priests and Levites and family heads, who had seen the former temple, wept aloud when they saw the foundation of this temple being laid, while many others shouted for joy. | Ezra 3, vv. 11-12
 - This new thing God is doing isn't a lesser version of what was. This new thing God is doing is the beginning of something better.
 - Read Acts chapter 6, verses 1 - 7.
 - So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith. | Acts 6, v.7
 - When every part does its part, everyone and everything is better because of it.
 - We need every person to be willing to give their heart and hand to the place of greatest demand.
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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What in your life feels normal again, the way it was before the pandemic? What still feels completely different?
2. Do you think gathering in person as a church is important to prioritize? Why or why not?
3. So many people do things small and large to help make church great. What are some roles or tasks people play that you're grateful someone is doing but go underappreciated?
4. Church is better when every part does its part, and we all have a part to play. Do you know what your part is? What could it be?
5. What is something that has made church valuable and meaningful for you that you would want to help pass on to someone else, so they can experience it as well?