

# Key References:

#### Joshua 3:1–5 (ESV)

**3** Then Joshua rose early in the morning and they set out from Shittim. And they came to the Jordan, he and all the people of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over. <sup>2</sup> At the end of three days the officers went through the camp <sup>3</sup> and commanded the people, "As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it. <sup>4</sup> Yet there shall be a distance between you and it, about 2,000 cubits in length. Do not come near it, in order that you may know the way you shall go, for you have not passed this way before." <sup>5</sup> Then Joshua said to the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you."

#### Galatians 5:25–26 (ESV)

<sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. <sup>26</sup> Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

#### Zechariah 4:6 (NIV)

<sup>6</sup> So he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the LORD Almighty.

## 1 Corinthians 4:15 (ESV)

<sup>15</sup> For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers.

## 1 – God is leading our journey

Mike and Deborah shared Joshua 3:1-5 with us on Sunday. Within that passage what were God's people following? In similarity how do we at Oceanside identify which direction God is leading?

From Galatians 5:25-26 what does *"keep in step with the Spirit"* mean to you? Why does verse 26 warn about becoming conceited right after this?

What do you think about what God's says in Zechariah 4:6? Does it mean we should expend less effort or try less?

## 2 – Our mission and mandate

Ruth shared that Oceanside was the place she first said "yes and went 'allin' with Jesus". Where and how did that first happen for you?

Oceanside's mission is *"to know Jesus and to make Him known"*. How does this mission statement resonate with you? Are there ways that you wish to step into it to a greater extent?

Since you've been at Oceanside what is the most significant thing that God has done in your life?

Oceanside's mandate is to be a *"gathering, healing, training, sending church"*. How has each one of these four things occurred with you? Of the four mandate points, which are you most looking forward to in the next season?

## 3 – Our part in a spiritual family

We each have a part to play. How do you want God to use you to gather, heal, train and send others in our community? Do you have specific dreams of how you would like to serve others at Oceanside?

Wes shared 1 Corinthians 4:15. What do you think God is saying about the need for fathers? How do the "countless guides in Christ" we have compare to our need for spiritual fathers and mothers?

Is there a call on your life to become a spiritual father or mother to others at Oceanside? How could that practically happen?

Wes said based on his story that "God wants to bring us to a place where we can give back into our community." How is God shaping testimony in your life to bring you to that place?