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Mission Spirituality of Jesus

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Overview of the Theme

Jesus' mission spirituality: Out of the overflow of His intimate relationship with the Father, Jesus purposefully listened to the Father and discerningly carried out the Father's business in the world. (John 5:19-20)

Relational Quality	Between the Father and the Son	
DISCERNMENT	The Son can do nothing by himself.	
	He can do only what he sees his Father doing.	
OBEDIENCE	Because whatever the Father does the Son also does.	
INTIMACY	For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does.	

Your mission spirituality: Listen to God and discern what He is about in the world where He has placed you. Abide in Him and commune with Him. As you walk with Him each day, attentively listen to His Spirit's promptings and nudging and follow Him with wholehearted devotion and gospel simplicity.

Jesus' mission spirituality: Best exemplified during the last few hours of his interaction with his disciples before he was arrested and condemned to die a criminal's death on the cross. (John 13:1-5, John 15:1-8, John 17:14-19)

Jesus	Focus for You, His Disciple	
Modeling (Jn 13)	Realign & Rethink – Rediscovering INTIMACY through	
mission spirituality	Reaffirming Identity, Stewardship, Purpose, and Destiny	
Teaching (Jn 15)	Restore & Recover – Rekindling Passion for the Word	
mission spirituality	and Prayer to Gain Wisdom and DISCERNMENT	
Praying for (Jn 17) mission spirituality	Recommit & Reengage – Running the Race with OBEDIENCE to the Finish Line by Continual Reflecting, Refreshing, and Refocusing	

Session 1 – Redraw the Navigation Map for Your Life Journey.

Realign & Rethink – Rediscovering INTIMACY through Reaffirming Your Identity, Stewardship, Purpose and Destiny. (John 13:1-5)

Component	Jesus' Navigation Chart	Your Navigation Chart
Identity	"He had come forth from God"	Realize who you are & whose you are
Stewardship	"The Father had given all things into His hands"	Recognize that everything in your life has been entrusted to you in His grace
Purpose	"He loved them to the end"	Rededicate yourself to servant leadership
Destiny	"He was going back to God"	Refine your eschatological perspective

Redrawing Your Life Navigation System

Session 2 – Reacquire the Compass that will Keep You on His Course to the End.

Restore & Recover – Rekindling Passion for the Word and Prayer to Gain Wisdom and DISCERN-MENT. (John 15:1-8)

Tending to the Garden of Your Soul

Core	Contents
Fasting	Cut off the branches that bear no fruit in your life. Prune the branches that do bear fruit so that they will be even more fruitful. Learn to discern between weeds and true growth. Pull out the weeds early from the garden of your soul.
Word	Plant new seeds. Add organic material to facilitate growth. Be immersed in the Scripture through continual ruminating that leads to deep reflection, character formation, and life transformation.
Prayer	Let your prayer spring forth from your heart as you saturate your heart with His Word. Listen to God and discern what He is about in the world where He has placed you.

Session 3 – Renovate Your Life to Model after Jesus' Mission Spirituality.

Recommit & Reengage – Running the Race with OBEDIENCE to the Finish Line by Continual Reflecting, Refreshing, and Refocusing. (John 17:14-19)

Faithfully and Joyfully Walking in the Light to Finish Well

Steps	Contents
Reflecting	Recognize the reality of spiritual warfare and reflect on the importance of finishing well. (Heb 12:1-4)
Refreshing	Refresh your soul through nurturing intimate relationships that facilitate a life of holiness and integrity. (Heb 3:7-13)
Refocusing	Retrain and strengthen the inner man to refocus and respond to the light, life, resurrection and freedom rather than to darkness, shadow, death and slavery. (Heb 4:11-16)

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