

## Message Notes

### The Character of the Missional Church:

### The Church That Makes a Difference

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1. We hope you've been digging into Solomon's Proverbs each day this past week. Share with your group a particular Proverb and insight you've gained in your reading of Proverbs 20-26.
  
2. Break into groups of three or four. Take a look at these three Proverbs from this past week's reading. Think on them and share your insights in your growth group:
  - Proverbs 20:22: Where is a place in your life where you are tempted to disregard this Proverb?
  - Proverbs 22:13: What fears keep me from being and doing what God wants for me?
  - Proverbs 23:4-5: Where has my pursuit of my comfort and pleasure gotten in the way of me serving others?
  
3. Now, to consider Jonas' message from Sunday: Kindly explore the difference between the two points of departure as being the reason for the church's existence:
  - a. Point of departure: God
  
  - b. Point of departure: the world and mankind's needs.
  
4. The Bible speaks of the church in a figurative sense – salt of the earth, light of the world, and a city on a mountain (Matthew 5). How do these images apply to missions? How would you describe Paseo del Rey using these analogies? What is your part in Paseo del Rey being salt, light, a bright city?
  
5. What does it mean to you what John Stott said, "The living God is a missionary God"?
  
6. Please explain and explore in practical terms the following terms:
  - a. Centrifugal (reaching out) Genesis 12:3, Psalm 67, Isaiah 49:3, Matthew 28:19, Acts 1:8
  
  - b. Centripetal (drawing near) Exodus 33:16, Isaiah 2:1-4, Isaiah 55:5
  
  - c. Modeling - Matthew 23:3, 1 Corinthians 11:1, Philippians 3:17, 1 Timothy 1:16, 2 Timothy 3:10