

**Choose to Change**  
*Believe for Greater Things – Part 1*  
**Life Church St. Louis – January 3, 2016**  
**Lead Pastor – Dr. Dan Walker**

*Isaiah 43:18-19 (NIV) Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.*

*John 14:12a (NIV) I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing.*

*John 14:12b (NIV) He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.*

*Joshua 24:15 (NIV) But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."*

**1. Put your \_\_\_\_\_ in order**

**1A. \_\_\_\_\_ indicates wrong priorities**

*Matthew 6:31-32 (NIV) So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.*

**1B. Seek \_\_\_\_\_ God's kingdom**

*Matthew 6:33 (NIV) But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

**2. Make \_\_\_\_\_ priority yours**

*Matthew 28:18 (NIV) Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.*

**2A. Go and make \_\_\_\_\_**

*Matthew 28:19 (NIV) Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,*

**2B. Teach them to \_\_\_\_\_ everything**

*Matthew 28:20 (NIV) and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*

**3. Take the \_\_\_\_\_ challenge**

**3A. Ask God to help you add \_ believer to the church in 2016**

*Acts 2:41 (NIV) Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.*

**3B. Seek the Holy Spirit's \_\_\_\_\_**

*Acts 1:8 (NIV) But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."*

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Intro. Why shouldn't you dwell on the past (Isaiah 43:18-19)?

What is required to do what Jesus did in His life (John 14:12a)? Why do you think that this is difficult for many?

How can the church today do the greater things that Jesus talked about in John 14:12b?

In what ways does the dandelion illustrate the greater things that God wants to do?

Why are the choices we make in life always between serving God or serving idols (Joshua 24:15)?

Are you ready to believe God for greater things for yourself and your church in 2016? Why or why not?

1A. What type of wrong priorities would keep you from the greater things God has for you?

1B. In what ways does worry indicate you have wrong priorities in your life (Matthew 6:31-32)?

1C. What does it mean to seek first God's kingdom and righteousness (Matthew 6:33)? What is the promise in this verse?

1D. What hindrances are in your life that keep you from a daily time of prayer and reading God's Word? How can you overcome them in 2016?

2A. Why does Jesus preface His following commands by saying that He has all authority (Matthew 28:18)?

2B. In what ways is making disciples a responsibility of every believer (Matthew 28:19)?

2C. Why is teaching disciples to obey everything Jesus commanded not commonly practiced?

2D. How did Jesus model the disciple-making process with His followers?

2E. What effect do you think training everyone in the church on being and making disciples will have?

3A. Why do you think that only 1% of evangelical Christians lead someone to Christ in an entire lifetime?

3B. Do you think the Plus One challenge will be easy or difficult to meet (Acts 2:41)? Why?

3C. Why is the Holy Spirit important in being a witness for Jesus (Acts 1:8)?

3D. What kinds of people do you have relationships with that you could begin praying for as you begin your Plus One challenge for 2016?