

Series: **GET INTO THE GAME**

We have a position to fill and a role to play in God's game plan of redemption.

This series of talks is to motivate us to play in our position in God's game plan of redemption or to come off the bench and into the game.

Pt 1: **THE GAME PLAN**

In *Mark 16*, coach Jesus has His team of disciples in a huddle and relays His game plan for them to follow.

9: When Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, He appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom He had driven seven demons. 10: She went and told those who had been with Him and who were mourning and weeping. 11: When they heard that Jesus was alive and that she had seen Him, they did not believe it.

12: Afterward Jesus appeared in a different form to two of them while they were walking in the country. 13: These returned and reported it to the rest; but they did not believe them either. 14: Later Jesus appeared to the Eleven as they were eating; He rebuked them for their lack of faith and their stubborn refusal to believe those who had seen Him after He had risen. 15: He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. 16: Whoever believes and is baptized will be

*saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. 17: And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; 18: they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well.” 19: After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God. 20: **Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed His Word by the signs that accompanied it.***



GOD’S GAME PLAN IS TO BRING LOST PEOPLE BACK TO HIM!

The mission of the Church is the same **life mission** Jesus had: *...the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost. Luke 19:10*

Jesus was intentional in crossing the social, cultural and religious barriers to engage people.

People who were nothing like Jesus **liked** Jesus and He **liked** them back.

If we consistently **BE** Jesus to people we mix with, we will **ATTRACT** them to Jesus - by **BEING** Jesus to them!

It is uncomfortable and unfamiliar to leave our circle of comfort.

What was true of Jesus individually should be true of us together.

We should be intentionally pursuing the transformation of the human heart of those distant from God, through Jesus' message of faith, hope and love.

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- **Personal Witness:** to be Jesus to those we mix with every day.
- **Adelaide City Care:** is an opportunity to reach those from the world who come to us.
- **World Missions:** is a vehicle and a means to passionately pursue the Great Commission.