



# WELLSPRING CHURCH

## **BLESS – Faithful Presence**

### **Introduction:**

Faithful presence names the reality that God is present in the world and that he uses a people, faithful to his presence, to make himself concrete and real amid the world's struggles and pain. When the church is this faithful presence, God's kingdom becomes visible and the world is invited to join with God.

### **Scriptures:**

2 Corinthians 5v16-21, John 1v14 and 20v21, 2 Cor 3 Rev 21, 22

### **Reflection Questions:**

1. If someone asked you, "why do you believe in God?" What would you say?
2. If someone asked you, "tell me the story of your faith journey," what are the major chapters you would emphasize and why?
3. Consider your family, community and workplace. Where are the places and who are the people in need? What would it look like to be a gospel presence in that place of need, to that person in need?
4. What holds you back from freely and joyfully being a faithful presence of the kingdom in your everyday life? If you were to identify three barriers, what would they be? Why do they get in your way?
5. Describe a time or a season when you felt like you participated in God's mission in the world. What did it feel like?

### **Experiment: (Choose one)**

1. Ask God in the morning for an opportunity to be his faithful presence. When you come across an opportunity, respond. At the end of the day, process and reflect on how it went. Maybe take some time to journal about it. Did you respond? Why or why not? Repeat this daily for a week.

### **Pod Discussion:**

1. As you listened to the podcast (watched the video), what struck you or stood out to you?
2. What was your experience of the experiment like? Was it enjoyable? Uncomfortable? Did you notice anything about yourself, God or the world?
3. Is God inviting you to change anything in the way you do your life?

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