

Are We There Yet? Series Vision Doc

Jan 11-Feb 2

Tagline: The surprising answer to more satisfaction, joy and fulfillment.

Feel: Hopeful

Why this series now: The desire for change and doing things differently is at its highest in January, so we want to take the opportunity to re-frame our thinking on goal setting and progress.

Response Areas: Yes

Invite Pitch: In virtually every area of your life and mine, we find ourselves somewhere in the gap between the starting point and an ideal we're striving towards, especially in the new year. We said we'd lose 10 pounds, but we lose 3, ok 2 with our shoes on! We said we'd save more money, but those holiday bills keep rolling in. We're determined to go to church more, but let's be honest, it's pretty cold out there and we have a million other things to do before Monday. So here we find ourselves - not where we think we should be, not where we'd planned to be, and feeling like we'd be further along by now...or at the very least have made more progress. So what can we do? Is there a way to get to where we want to be? To change how we feel, relate to each other and to God, and build momentum in our life? There's a deep connection between our satisfaction, joy and fulfillment and where we find ourselves today. So join us this January to find out the surprising answer to that nagging question - are we there yet?

Memory Verse: Romans 12:2, Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Weekly Topics and Content Goal:

Week 1: Jan 11/12

- Focus: We can experience less pressure, discouragement, and anxiety by breaking free from the myth of arrival.
- Scripture: Old Testament: Joshua 5:10-15
- Framework: Expectation Gap; Myth of Arrival

Week 2: Jan 18/19, MLK Day

- Focus: Everyone can know where to grow by paying attention to the process of transition. (We get focused on the new beginning and miss the importance of endings and middle.)
- Scripture: Old Testament: Exodus 16:1-5
- Framework: Managing Transitions

Week 3: Jan 25/26, Child Dedication and Groups Launch

- Focus: Everyone should look out for distractions because they threaten to take us off track and keep you from what is next.
- Scripture: Old Testament: Numbers 13:25-25-14:12
- Framework: Steve Cuss' False Needs

Week 4: Feb 1/2 Baptism, Andy

- Focus: Pre-decide today to trust and follow God
- Scripture: Old Testament: Joshua 23-24:15

Series Goals:

- Engage in 21 Days of Prayer text campaign

How will we measure this goal?

- 21% of overall attendance participate in text campaign for a projected total of 1655* people
 - 35% of the 1655 engage regularly in the app through the link in the text for a projected total of 579* people.

*Total number based on attendance prediction

Ministry Calendar and Holidays:

Jan 6-26: 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting Continues

Jan 11/12: Group Leader Training

Jan 18/19: Group Leader Training

Jan 20: MLK Day

Jan 25/26: Child Dedications

Jan 25/26: Winter Groups Launch

Jan 26: Prayer and Worship Night?

Jan 31: Internship Application Due

Feb 3: DreamTeam Night

Series Resources:

Family Ministries: 21 Days of Prayer for Parents