

Asking, “What is on God’s heart?” is a broad question. Maybe phrasing it, “What is God’s heart for us?” helps to narrow it down. We’ve all had Father’s, some good, some terrible. Sometimes we were left wondering what was on our biological Father’s heart. But there is a Father who is always for us, who only wants our best and has revealed to us his heart for us in his word. Join us for this series, “The Heart of the Father” and explore God’s heart for the world.



## Open-up

Have you ever been asked to do something that was beyond your ability or training? What was it? What was the outcome?

## Read John 17:18

Jesus, in his prayer for the disciples to the Father, recalls why he was sent into the world? What do you think it means for you to also be sent by Jesus into the world?

Read: Ezekiel 2:1-5

What do you notice about the passage itself? (Structure, repeated words or ideas, unique words, main points, what did this passage say to the original author and audience)

During the message the point was made that anointing was greater than gifting. Would you agree/disagree? What is the difference between anointing and gifting?

**Have you ever been “anointed” by God? What was the situation?**  
How did you respond?

**The second point in the message was, “Success looks like obedience.”**  
**What would this look like in your life? Where do you think God’s grace fits in with this?**

**The final point was “mission is greater than comfort.”** How do you think this might apply in your life?

Read Ezekiel 2:6-7

What encouragement can this passage give to you when you think of **the Father's heart for mission?**

Read Colossians 4:2-4

From this passage written to the church in Colossae, what was the author Paul, asking of the believers?

Read Colossians 4:5-6

Discuss this passage and answer the question: "What would this look like in your immediate world?" (Use I/me statements: I would / I will)

Where do you think God is sending you with your family? Your work? Your school? Your volunteering?

#### **Other Application Questions:**

Is there something to worship or thank God for?

Is there a promise to claim or a truth to believe?

Is there something I am convicted about that I need to work on?

Is there something or someone I need to pray for this week? (Be specific)

Is there any relationship I need to work on?

Prayer List:

My challenge for this week:

More Resources for personal and group use:

<https://www.precept.org/know-gods-word/>

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By...

...becoming an increasingly healthy, vibrant and effective witness for Jesus in Prince George and around the world!

We do this by engaging in three things:



**GATHER**

Sunday mornings to celebrate and learn about God



**GROUPS**

Weekly meetings that go deeper in relationships with each other and God



**GO**

Serving in the church and community to present Jesus to the world