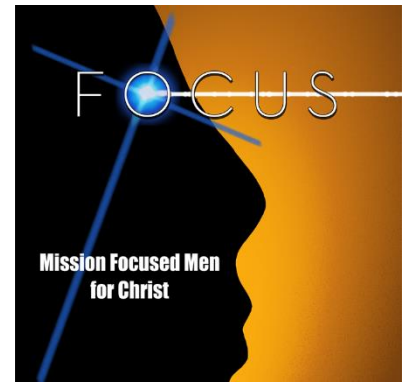


New Discipleship Tool: Weekly Podcast From PCA Men's Ministry Consultant

"I'm so excited about this new podcast because listening to podcasts is the way my generation gets all its information,"

Twenty-four year old passionate Christ-follower



What if every man in your church began his workweek listening to a grace-centered, fifteen-minute podcast—while getting ready for bed Sunday night, or Monday morning while eating breakfast, working out, or commuting—that helped him focus, during the upcoming week, on:

- walking closely with Christ
- building Christ-like heart attitudes
- implementing Christ's agenda in every sphere of his life—being a godly husband, father, employee, employer, neighbor, church member, and ambassador for the kingdom?

The ***Mission Focused Men for Christ*** discipleship material was developed over 25 years in Gary Yagel's life, taught to Marine Corps officers at Quantico through Officers Christian Fellowship, and shared in seminar form at the Presbyterian Church in America General Assembly and with thousands of PCA men across the country.

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Mission Focused Men for Christ is the ideal discipleship tool for the 21st century because it is biblical, grace-centered, insightful, and helps harried, distracted men focus on honoring Christ with their lives. **Best of all, it fits into men's busy lives because it is right on their phones!**

The ***Mission Focused Men for Christ*** free, weekly podcast is available through the following podcast directories:

Apple Podcasts (<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/mission-focused-men-for-christ/id1484079189?ign-mpt=uo%3D4>)

Spotify (<https://open.spotify.com/show/7LgL2WBz8HzXy1jhtLoHJt>)

Stitcher (<https://www.stitcher.com/podcast/gary-yagel/mission-focused-men-for-christ?refid=stpr>)

iHeartRadio (<https://www.iheart.com/podcast/269-mission-focused-men-for-ch-51760061/>)

Google Podcasts (<https://podcasts.google.com/?feed=aHR0cHM6Ly9mZWVkcY5idXp6c3Byb3V0LmNvbS81MzAwNzcucnNz>)

Tunein (<https://tunein.com/podcasts/Religion--Spirituality-Podcasts/Mission-Focused-Men-for-Christ-p1258035/>)

No matter what lens we look through, Scripture reveals the same 3 parts to our mission:

Called **TO Christ** (to enjoy a love relationship with him)

Called **TO BE LIKE Christ** (to holy, Christ-like heart attitudes)

Called **TO EXERCISE DOMINION FOR Christ** (to bring about Christ's righteous agenda in every sphere of life)

Through understanding the Gospel of the KINGDOM

The rule of Christ's kingdom begins in the heart with surrender to the kings' lordship

(which is why evangelism is the starting point for the spread of the gospel of the kingdom)

The rule of Christ's Kingdom moves outward to transform our heart attitudes (kingdom attitudes are explained in the Sermon on the Mount, Matt 5-7).

Christ's kingdom moves outward to every sphere of our lives where we seek to implement his agenda of righteousness (through all the roles in life that we fill, Matt 6:33).

Through viewing Christ's ministry to us as the Anointed One:

As PRIEST, C unites us to God in an intimate love relationship

As PROPHET, Christ calls us and empowers us to be holy

As KING, Christ uses us to establish his righteous rule on earth

Through viewing God's purpose for man according to the WCF Catechism Ques. # 1

"Man's chief end is to **glorify God** and to **enjoy him** forever." The first part of our mission, "**enjoying a love relationship with God**" is specifically identified. Concerning, **glorifying God**, Jesus was very clear in teaching HOW we can best glorify God. "**By this is My Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples**" (John 15:8). Biblically, there are 2 categories of spiritual fruit, our **inward attitudes** and our **outward actions**. Galatians 5:22-23 makes clear that **spiritual fruit** is **Christ-like character**: "**The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.**" Colossians 1:10 makes clear that **spiritual fruit** also includes our **actions**: "**So that you may live a life worthy of the Lord, and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work...**" Therefore, we have the 3 parts to our mission.

Even viewing our calling through the lens of John Frame's triperspectivalism

Existential perspective: We are called to a subjective, **intimate relationship with Christ**

Normative perspective: We are called to **uncompromising holiness of character**

Situational perspective: Our historical setting is that Christ has ascended and **invites us to join him, by his power, in overthrowing evil and its effects and spreading the kingdom of righteousness** (though sin will not be completely overthrown until his return).

In summary, our call from Christ is **to himself, to become like him,** and to **rule for him.**