

LOST IN TRANSLATION

Part 4: Our Turn

Big Idea: Provide for the next generation what you wish the previous generation had provided for you.

Opening Question:

- Think back to when you first came to faith or started attending church. What (or who) helped make that experience meaningful for you?

Scripture Exploration:

- **Read Matthew 16:18.** Jesus said, "I will build my ekklesia, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it." What does this reveal about the unstoppable nature of His movement?
- The church is meant to be a movement, not just a gathering. How does this change the way we think about our role in the church?

Going Deeper:

- When the church veers off course, things get weird. Can you think of examples (past or present) where the church lost focus on Jesus' original mission?
- The early church sacrificed for the next generation of believers. What sacrifices have been made so that we can experience faith today?
- What are some barriers that keep people from engaging with the church? How can we remove them?

Personal Application:

- We are the church for our generation. How can you personally contribute to making sure the church remains inviting and focused on Jesus?
- One of the challenges was to listen for the "Three Little Nots" (Not from here, Not going well, Not prepared for). Have you recently encountered someone who fits one of these? How could you invite them in?

Final Thoughts & Prayer:

- What is one step you feel led to take to serve the next generation of believers?
- How can we pray for our church and our community to better reflect the ekklesia Jesus intended?

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