



**It Should Be Us**  
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For The Verde Valley  
Week 5:  
"It Should Be Us"

I. We will \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_ on Jesus.

II. We will \_\_\_\_\_ what \_\_\_\_\_ us to do.

III. If there is any group of people who should lead the  
charge in our community \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**SMALL TALK**

1. Are you the type of person who more naturally spends time thinking and dreaming about the past? Or do you more naturally spend time thinking and dreaming about the future?
2. Why do you think it can be so easy to stop thinking about what could be and get wrapped up in thinking about what used to be?

**VIEWPOINT**

3. **Read Mark 16:15-20.** What do you think it would look like to live out verse 15 in our community?
4. Jesus gives those lofty instructions (in Mark 16) to a ragtag bunch of people who, up to this point, didn't have a lot to offer. How do you think they might have been feeling after hearing those instructions from Jesus?
5. How does it make you feel to know that those same instructions to Jesus followers in Mark 16 also are the instructions that Jesus gives to us today?

**GETTING PERSONAL**

6. Has God ever surprised you by using you to accomplish something that you didn't expect? What was that like?
7. Spend a little time thinking about the future and dreaming a little bit. How do you think God could use you to make a difference for the kingdom of God in the Verde Valley?
8. Take just a few moments and speak to each other. How do you see God being able to use the other people in this group to spread the gospel in this Valley? Think for a moment and tell someone else what you can imagine. (e.g. "I could see God using, (name of someone), to spread the gospel in this valley by \_\_\_\_\_.")

**MAKING PROGRESS**

9. Spend some time praying for deepened relationships with people in our community who need an encounter with Jesus. Pray that as we show them that we are FOR them and that our church is FOR them, opportunities are created to invite them to experience Jesus in a new way.

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