

# MTS MISSION MINDED South Coast



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Strand 2



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# Welcome

## to MTS Mission Minded South Coast Peer Groups!

Peer Groups give you the chance to meet with other people who are at the same stage of thinking and discuss, “What will it look like for me to serve God with the rest of my life?”

During this time you’ll be led by an experienced Ministry Worker and MTS Apprentice to discuss the Bible, reflect on encouragements and challenges from our speakers, and consider decisions about ministry.

**“For we are His  
workmanship, created  
in Christ Jesus for good  
works.”**

**EPHESIANS 2:10**



# Session One

## Why do Gospel Ministry?

### A. 1. Meeting Your Group

To get started, go around the group and share:

1. How did you become a Christian?

2. Where and how are you currently involved in ministry?

3. Why did you decide to be a part of MTS Mission Minded South Coast?

4. What questions do you hope to explore at MTS Mission Minded South Coast? (Collect these questions as a group and see if they've been addressed by the final Peer Group session.)

Pray for your time together.

## 2. What is the Gospel?

The word 'gospel' is often assumed to mean 'good news' but is better understood as 'world shattering news' or 'momentous news'.

In 30 seconds with a partner, articulate what the content of God's gospel is.

Read Romans 1:1-6

- From what you see in these verses, what did you include in your Gospel, and what didn't you include?
- In these verses what is the right response to the gospel?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-6

- From what you see in these verses, what did you include in your Gospel, and what didn't you include?

As a conference, this is the gospel we're assuming and building on from here:

**The gospel is the momentous news that Jesus Christ died for our sins and was raised from the dead, according to the Scriptures. He now reigns as Lord, and offers forgiveness and new life to all who repent and believe.**

## B. Looking at God's Word: Why Do Gospel Ministry?

1. What would you say to the godly and gifted Christian who says, "I'm set free by grace so I have no obligation to God in how I live now"?

2. Read Matthew 25:14-30

Note: The previous parable (25:1-13) teaches the importance of being ready for the kingdom of heaven, this parable teaches what it means to be ready for the kingdom.

3. Why did the master give different talents to each of his servants?  
(Note: a talent is a large sum of money)

4. What did the master expect from each of the servants?

5. What do you think each part of the parable represents (the master, the servants, the talents)?

6. Why was the master angry with the servant who had 1 talent?

a. Do you think this is fair? Why/why not?

7. Jesus uses this parable to show us how to be ready for his return. He also uses it to motivate us by showing that there will be a reward to investing talents well (v21, v23) and punishment for not using what God has given us (v30). Do these motivations surprise you? Why/why not?

a. How does it reshape how you think about God and your life?

## **C. Putting It All Together**

1. What does God expect of us as we wait for Jesus to return in light of this passage?

2. We are saved completely by grace, yet this parable challenges us to think about the 'talents' God has entrusted to us and why. A helpful way to think about the 'talents' is the total life package that God has given us. What is the life package that God has given you that he expects a return on? Try to write a list of all the things you can think of that make up your life package: (think life situation, stable family, money, gifts, training, education, opportunities, experiences, leaders/mentors, church experience and previous churches, health, etc...)

3. What reflections do you have as you consider this list?

## **D. Prayer**

# Session Two

## Convictions and Gospel Ministry

### A. Reflection

From what you've heard from God's Word so far at MTS Mission Minded South Coast, can you share one thing that has been particularly encouraging to you?

Pray for your time together.

### B. Looking at God's Word: This study looks at a key conviction to do with gospel ministry

1. Discuss: To what extent can someone's salvation and gospel growth be attributed to us?

2. Read 1 Corinthians 3:5-9

3. What is Paul and Apollos's role?

a. What do you think their role practically looked like?

4. What does verse 7 mean?

5. Read 1 Corinthians 9:19-23

6. Who does Paul say will 'win' people?

7. What is he saying and how does it make you feel/challenge our theology?

8. How do you think this fits with 1 Corinthians 3:5-9?

## **C. Putting It All Together**

1. What is the comfort for us and what is the challenge for us from 1 Corinthians 3:5-9?

2. What would it look like to live this out in the ministry you're involved in now?

3. What is the challenge for our thinking and actions from 1 Corinthians 9:19-23?

4. What are the implications for us considering ministry as we hold the tension of these two passages together?

5. What is helpful and what is unhelpful with the following statement: 'Our ministry efforts make a real difference in the lives of people and what happens in eternity, but never in such a way that God's servants can be said to be 'something'. Gospel growth is always under the sovereign hand of God, he gives the growth. But that doesn't lead us to do less, but to do everything we can to win people for Christ.'

## **D. Prayer**

# Session Three

## Decisions and Gospel Ministry

### A. Reflection

From what you've heard from God's Word so far at MTS Mission Minded South Coast, can you share one thing that has been particularly challenging to you?

Pray for your time together.

### B. Article

1. Scan the QR code and read the article.



2. What questions do you have about the article?

3. What stands out to you from the article?



**MTS Mission Minded South Coast (NSW): 26-28 September 2025**  
**Timetable**

Time	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:30		Breakfast	Breakfast
9:00		All-in Session #2	All-in Session #4
10:30		Morning Tea	Morning Tea
11:00		Peer Group #1	Peer Group #3
12:30		Lunch	Lunch
13:30		Free Time / Mentoring	All-in Session #5
14:00			
14:30		Peer Group #2	Go!
16:00		Free Time / Mentoring	
16:30			
17:00	Arrive and Register		
17:30			
18:00	BYO Dinner	Dinner	
18:30			
19:00		All-in Session #3	
20:00	All-in Session #1		
21:00	Supper	Supper	



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