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# Send

## Loving Your Church by Praying, Giving, or Going

**W**hat would change if you saw where you live, what you do, and who you are as part of God’s great plan to build his church?

This book will show you that wherever and whoever you are, you are sent. Discover how to play your part in God’s plan of redemption—whether by praying, giving, or going. And get excited about building a kingdom that is constantly expanding, scattering, and sending for the sake of the lost.

Written by Jim Essian, Lead Pastor of The Paradox Church, Texas.

There are action steps and reflection questions at the end of every chapter. Additionally, you can find discussion questions at the back, which makes this resource ideal for small groups. (A [PDF version](#) of the discussion guide is also available.)

This book is part of the [Love Your Church series](#), a collection of thoughtful and practical books that will inspire every church member with a biblical vision of what it means to be a local community of God’s family. Church members can explore together what it means to belong, to welcome, to gather, to care, to serve and to honor one another, and to witness and send people out to spread the gospel.



## About the Author

Jim Essian planted The Paradox Church in 2011 in Downtown Fort Worth and serves as Lead Pastor. He played eight years of professional baseball in the Kansas City Royals, Los Angeles Dodgers, and Detroit Tigers organizations, prior to planting.

He founded the church planting network Plant Fort Worth, which has seen 15 churches planted in the Greater Fort Worth area in the last 6 years. He is the author of *Jesus For You: He Became Like You So You Could Become Like Him*. Jim is married to Heather and they have three girls: Harper Grace, Hollis Jane, and Had-den Faith.

# Suggested Interview Questions

1. Why is it important that all believers consider themselves sent on mission by Jesus?
2. God took you from playing professional baseball to planting churches. What has this taught you about the prerequisites for being sent on mission for Jesus?
3. How does a right view of the fear of God and comfort of God make the church multiply?
4. Some would say that it is not necessary to plant new churches in church-saturated areas of the world. Why do you disagree?
5. How does church planting reach new cultures?
6. How do we foster a sending culture in our church?
7. How does the church act as a redemptive presence in the city in which it is located?
8. How do individual believers find their specific place in God's mission?
9. Why do we as believers have to learn how to gracefully navigate gospel goodbyes?
10. What does it look like to dream big for the glory of God and his mission?

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