

MESSAGE NOTES
Non-Series Message
STATE OF THE CHURCH
What did we learn in 2021?
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*"Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you."
(Psalm 25:5, NLT)*

WHAT DID WE LEARN IN 2021?

1. God wants **HIS CHURCH TO SUCCEED.**

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11, NIV)

"Many, LORD my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us. None can compare with you." (Psalm 40:5, NIV)

2. God shows **HIS POWER THROUGH OUR WEAKNESS.**

*"He gives strength to those who grow tired and increases the strength of those who are weak."
(Isaiah 40:29, GW)*

*"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."
(2 Corinthians 12:9, NIV)*

"Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you." (Isaiah 41:10, NLT)

3. God is **FAITHFUL TO A COMMITTED CHURCH.**

*"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him."
(Hebrews 11:6, NIV)*

"Remember that the Lord your God is the only God and that he is faithful. He will keep his covenant and show his constant love to a thousand generations of those who love him... (Deuteronomy 7:9, GNT)

4. God wants us **TO FULFILL OUR PURPOSE.**

*"Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails."
(Proverbs 19:21, NIV)*

"Let there be real harmony so that there won't be splits in the church. I plead with you to be of one mind, united in thought and purpose." (1 Corinthians 1:10, TLB)

ACTION STEP:

INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH NEXT WEEK.