



January 31th, 2016
~Sermon Notes~

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~Life Group Questions~

- 1.** Thinking back to Sunday's sermon, is there anything that particularly caught your attention, confused or challenged you?
- 2.** How do you react to the word "launch?" Would you prefer it to be the word "lunch?" Or do you ask, "Can I be next?"
- 3.** Share a time in your life when you had the opportunity to be a part of a significant launch. (an adventurous trip, a business venture, your marriage, having children, going on a missions trip, etc)
 - a.** How did your participation in that opportunity affect your life?
- 4.** Read Philippians 2:5-8 and discuss how Jesus "launched" Himself from heaven to earth, from the absolute and complete expression of divinity to existing as a single human cell.
- 5.** Read Philippians 2:9-11. What was the outcome of Jesus' launch from heaven to "becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross?"

6. Pastor Kurt made the following assertion; “Jesus has reserved a place for you on the launch pad of destiny to hurl you into His eternal plan of bringing the good news of Jesus Christ to the whole world.” Which of the following questions does this statement invoke in your heart and soul? Of course you are free to ask your own.

a. Launched to where? Am I ready? Am I willing?
How bad does it hurt to crash and burn? Can God really use me?

7. Discuss the following phrases used to encapsulate the mission, vision and values of Neighborhood Alliance church.

Connecting people to Jesus and each other

A place that is real, relevant and relational.

a. Candidly share if these values resonate in your heart?

b. Honestly share how well you feel we are succeeding in making our vision a reality.

c. Take the “Launch Ready” survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/96S2LRQ> or scan the QR code.



8. According to Romans 12:3 each of us has been allotted a measure of faith, a divine gift or ability. In light of Romans 12:4-5 do you feel the following statement is accurate? *The expression of each of our divine gifts and/or abilities is vital in our Church becoming what God would have it be.*

9. While reading the following passages make a list of each spiritual gift you discover; Romans 12:6-8, 1 Corinthians 12:8-10; 13:1-3, Ephesians 4:11, and 1 Peter 4:9-11. (Please do not focus on controversial issues. Neighborhood Alliance Church does believe the gifts are for today but does not place special value on the expression of any single gift.)

10. From the above list share with your group which gift or gifts you have and why you think that you have them.

a. How does your giftedness empower/compel you to serve?