

**BIG OPPORTUNITY  
Big Church – Part 7  
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Being a part of God's big Church is a really big deal.

The Big Opportunity We Have Helps Us Realize...

1. Now it's our church's turn.

**Acts 15:19 (NIV)** *"It is my judgment, therefore, that we should not make it difficult for the Gentiles who are turning to God."*

We want to capture the hearts of the uninterested.

To reach people nobody else is reaching,  
we must do things nobody else is doing.

**Opportunity:** A combination of circumstances  
favorable for the advancing of a purpose.

**Acts 4:29-30 (NIV)** *"Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable Your servants to speak Your Word with great boldness. <sup>30</sup> Stretch out Your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of Your holy servant Jesus."*

We are not just stewards of the message of eternal life.  
We are stewards of the message of a better life now.

2. Our influence is a stewardship.

**Stewardship** – being morally responsible for  
the careful use of resources (time, talent, treasure).

4 Areas of Boldness...

• I need you to be bold in your invitations.

A Great Commitment  
To the Great Commandment  
And the Great Commission  
Will grow a Great Church.

- I need you to be bold in your volunteering.
- I need you to be bold with your giving.

**80%** is given by **20%**

**Matthew 6:21 (NIV)** *"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*

**Malachi 3:10 (NIV)** *"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."*

**Matthew 6:19-20 (NLT)** *"Don't store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. <sup>20</sup> Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal."*

**Acts 4:33-35 (NIV)** *"With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all <sup>34</sup> that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales <sup>35</sup> and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need."*

**2 Chronicles 16:9 (NIV)** *"For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to Him."*

- I need you to be bold with your prayers.

**Acts 28:28-31 (NIV)** *"Therefore I want you to know that God's salvation has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will listen!" <sup>30</sup> For two whole years Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him. <sup>31</sup> He proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ—with all boldness and without hindrance!"*