

#### Intro...

- What's a "fireside chat"?
- God is working in exciting ways in our church
- What do you think God wants to do in Cold Lake this year?

#### 1. THE CORE

- a. The church is Jesus' Idea
  - Matthew 16:18... And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
  - The church matters
  - Essential to life and faith
  - God's chosen vehicle to reach the world
- b. The church is people, not buildings
  - What's your favorite biblical metaphor of the church?
    - The Bride
    - The Family of God

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#### 2. THE CALL

Make Disciples/Be Disciples

Matthew 28:18-20... <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

- Discover Jesus
- Demonstrate the Life of Jesus
- Duplicate Your Faith in Jesus

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- 3. THE CHALLENGES
  - a. Cold Lake Culture
    - Transient
    - Shift work
    - Remote location
    - Roots

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  - a. Cold Lake Culture
  - b. Protecting Environments
  - c. Drift
  - d. Complexity
    - Fairness
    - Culture's obsession with "more"
    - Complexity is a symptom of taking on what is God's
    - What does God want?

### So What?

- An invitation... Join us!
- Let's work together to keep the core things the core things
- Press into what God desires for your life. You will not be disappointed!
- Be aware of the challenges you face as you intentionally enter in to God's discipleship plan for your life