

## Keys to Bivocational Ministry

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- The gospel means “good news” and is always available regardless of world trends, economic downturns, or seasonal struggles.
- The good news of God’s kingdom comes with cheap DNA, cheap environments, and leaders who are abundantly available without excessive costs. Thus movement is cheap, too.
- The church is the “people of God” so if the people of God live good news, the church will be good news, regardless of how the weekend programs and presentations are.
- Much of our ministry is self-imposed because we have bought into the consumer trap that sucks the life of God out of our actual life. Financial freedom brings ministry freedom.
- Making disciples is easier and cheaper than keeping consumer Christians happy.
- Everyone’s calling is of equal importance, though we each live out our callings differently.
- Personal meaning can never be found in a role, business, card, title, or salary. Meaning comes from personal clarity and obedience to what God calls us to do.
- Full-time vocational ministry (American-style) is not normal (less than 200 years old) and there are exciting opportunities for ministry in bivocational or volunteer paradigms.
- If none of us got paid, God would still expect us to lead and serve the world.