Evangelical UMC 2023 Andrew Burd-Harris

If We Could Do Anything and Next Steps

John 14:8-14

Greater Works Whatever you ask

My hopes for our time together

- We pray
- We meet
- We discern a mission/vision/ in a form of a compelling story
- We discern next steps (worship, missions, outreach, discipleship) that are low stakes (unless we discern a BHAG)
- We discern a discipleship process
- We discern a leadership training process
- We thrive in God's purpose for us
 - Session 1

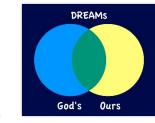
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Review

- What does a thriving/healthy church look like
- How do we get there
 - Mission
 - Vision
- Mission and vision as a story
- Pathway for discernment
 - Prayer
 - Questions
- Session 2
 - Mission and Vision
 - Values
 - o Defining Goals
 - Church Structure
 - Church Schedule
 - Discipleship Pathway
- Session 3
 - Church Life Cycles
 - o SWOT Analysis
- Session 4-Demographics
- Session 5-Reaching the Next Generation
- Session 6-Our Story

Some Opening Thoughts

- "Whether you think you can or think you can't, you're right."
- Cool Runnings



Questions

- If we could do anything as a church (money, staff, volunteers, time, age, facilities would not be issues), what do you believe God is calling us: to do? to be? to go?
- Who would be leaders and pillars of the community we should meet with to better understand our context and needs of the community?
- What questions do you think we should ask leaders of the community and pillars of our community?

When should we meet again?

Closing Thought-You don't know what you don't know

Closing Prayer