Joining Jesus, Session 9, Chapter 16 - “Ministering through Prayer”

1) What is the difference between saying “I’ll pray for you” and “I’ll pray with you/Can I pray with you right now”? Why does Pastor Finke recommend the latter?

2) “I have found a prayer spoken out loud on behalf of a person right to the King of the kingdom is a simple way to help them experience the reality of the kingdom being present.” (page 126) Why might this be the case?

3) “When we pray like this, ... people feel blessed because they have invited God into their situation.” (page 127) Why is this so important?

4) How do these verses connect?
   +Philippians 4:6-7
   +2 Corinthians 1:11
   +Hebrews 4:16
   +Matthew 6:7-8/Romans 8:26-27

5) WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO JOIN JESUS ON HIS MISSION?
   Read Matthew 28:20.
   “Jesus isn’t saying “go” as in “go find room in your hectic day to make disciples,” but is rather saying,” “while you are going through your hectic day make disciples.” ... (page 132)
“Our hectic life is our missional life. Jesus already has us where he wants us to be in mission. We don’t have to struggle to add another layer of volunteer hours to our lives in order to “be missional.” Our lives as they are now are missional…if we open our eyes to see.” (page 132)

What does Pastor Finke mean? Do you agree?

**Joining Jesus, Session 9, Chapter 17 – “The Missional Party”**

1) Read Acts 17:26. How does this verse connect to the missional life? To believing God has placed us into our “neighborhoods”?

2) Why does Pastor Finke advocate the “missional party”? What are its objectives?

Unhurried time + proximity + activity (food) = conversation (page 143)

3) What happened when he held a “missional party”?

(Discuss, then read the results from pages 144-145)

4) What are some other ways to achieve the same objectives besides a missional party?

5) Discuss these verses. +Luke 15:4-7 +1 Timothy 2:3-6