

BRAVE November 18th / 19th

Speaker: **Rich Stearns**

Scripture Focus: [Matthew 25:36-41](#)

Note to Leaders:

This weekend we were challenged to walk into our brave. These questions provide a framework to prompt or foster discussion. Don't feel you must use all or any of these questions and you don't have to make it to the end! Use the questions that best fit your group and let discussion flow. You can also use these questions on your own to dive deeper into this week's sermon.

Sermon Series Questions:

1. What did God reveal to you?
2. What are you going to do about it?
3. What is one element of God's character you learned?

Specific Questions:

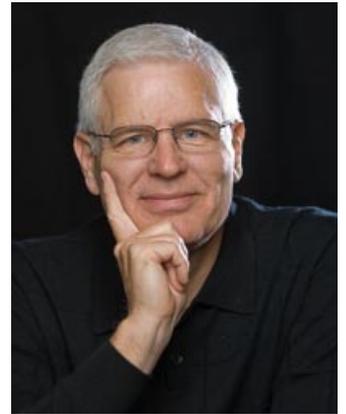
1. Share a moment of BRAVE where God took you out of your comfort zone. How did you respond?
2. Read through Matthew 25:36-41. What does it mean to live an authentic faith? What would this practically look like for you?
3. Rich Stearns said, "The Jesus we worship every day is hungry, suffering alongside refugees, and living on the streets." Where did you see Jesus this past week? How did you respond?
4. What could happen if you started praying, "Let my heart be broken for the things that break the heart of God"?
5. Are you willing to be open to God's will for your life? Are you willing to sacrifice your career pursuits? Your current lifestyle? Your comfortability?

Digging Deeper

This section provides additional resources, activities, and/or questions that can be done during group or personal devotional time.

Speaker Highlight

As president of World Vision U.S., **Rich Stearns** calls Christians to action on the greatest needs of our day. His award-winning, best-selling book, *The Hole in Our Gospel*, has encouraged hundreds of thousands of readers to open their hearts to those who are hurting in our world.



In his position with World Vision he has built a strong leadership team focused on bringing corporate best practices to the non-profit sector and inspiring a culture of outcome-focused management at all levels of the organization. Rich's greatest legacy will be his leadership in calling on the Church in America to respond to some of the greatest needs of our time, most notably the HIV/AIDS pandemic and now the global refugee crisis.

Prayer Challenge

Let's challenge ourselves to pray BRAVE prayers like Bob Pierce, the founder of World Vision. How about we incorporate his prayer into our conversations with God:

"Let my heart be broken for the things that break the heart of God?"

Recommended Reading

The Hole in Our Gospel (2014)
Richard Stearns
Available at Amazon: [Click Here](#)

He Walks Among Us (2013)
Richard Stearns
Available at Amazon: [Click Here](#)

A1:8 Mission Highlights: Refugee Care & Community Development

Uganda 2018

Focusing on community development, poverty and refugee care, we will be returning to Uganda for the fourth consecutive year. This year, the Uganda team will be shifting the manual labor project to work alongside two Ugandan churches (Watoto Church and Harvest Time Church of God). Our team will be helping to build a Maternity Ward/Urgent Care facility in a refugee camp in the Arua/Mvepi region of Northern Uganda.

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