

Good news: God's mission is not to destroy the world!

Greek OVER-Emphasis

- God: Pure and Perfect
- Problem: Personal moral failures a.k.a. "sins"
- => Judgement

- Solution: An innocent man (Jesus) is punished in our place
- Response: We pray the "Jesus prayer"

- Outcome: Get your soul into heaven

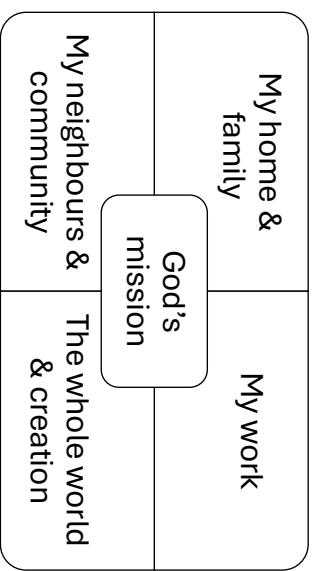
Real Good News

- God: Loving and Good
- Problem: Rebellion and idolatry, including "satan" & sin
- => Broken relations

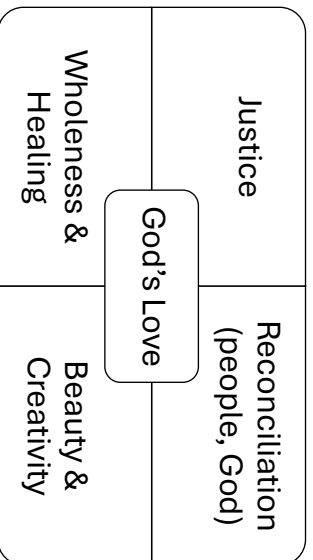
- Solution: God deals with our debt, heals our sickness and disarms sin
- Response: We live as part of God's family under God's new rule on earth

- Outcome: God reconciles ALL THINGS to God

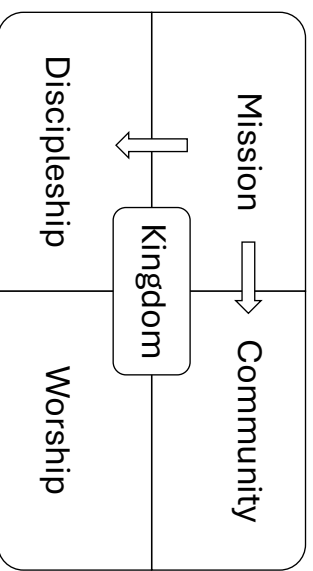
Where does that make a difference??



What is God's Kingdom like??



So what does the church do??



God's mission > our mission > my mission...

God's mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconciliation • Renewal
The church's mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worldwide... • RBC
My mission & calling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individually • Collaboratively

Mission - conclusion

- Our mission... is part of God's mission:
- To work with God to extend God's Kingdom
- God's Kingdom of: Justice, Reconciliation, Wholeness & Healing, Beauty & Creativity
- In our: Home & Family, Work, Neighborhood & Community, the Whole World & Creation
- How? "Do not be afraid": be confident (in Jesus and the Holy Spirit), consistent, gentle, humble & kind (like Jesus)