

## **You Have a Part to Play** **Vision / Creative Brief**

What if we, as a church, for 7 weeks, could, for a moment, in the middle of all our busy schedules and obligations, lean into a crucial truth that gets pushed down and swallowed up by this thing we experience called life?

What if, not just you, but we, as a church, could lean into the truth that no matter how old or young, single or married, wealthy or not so much, that every single person is not only part of a larger, cosmic struggle, but that every single person has a crucial role in that spiritual battle between good and evil?

What if we believed that we, in our space and our time and in our city, what if we believed that we could make a difference? That we could change things?

History is being written as we speak, it is unfolding around us every day, and the only real question is what piece of that we will be.

What would your life look like if you really believed that you were a difference maker?

A thought leader?

An industry creator?

A student revolutionary?

An irreplaceable parent?

**What if you believed that you had a part to play?**

We think that your life just might change and the world just might heal that much more.

*Join Mosaic Church this fall for a 7 week campaign called "You Have a Part to Play."*

You Have a Part to Play is 7 weeks spent looking at some of the most challenging issues our culture faces, seeing what God's Word might have to say about it, and then applying those difference making truths to our lives.

We will do that primarily in the form of our community groups, and so we are asking everyone here to, just for these few weeks, get involved in one of our groups.

In these groups, you not only will go further with the topics, but each group will create a unique response to one of the issues that the group wants to tackle, and watch as not only each person plays their part but each group plays their part in being a difference maker in our city.

Following Jesus means so much more than Sunday participation, it means following him with a people and believing Him for great things in our lives and in our community.

Following Jesus means believing that you have a part to play.

Oh, and we will kick the whole thing off with our back to school service on Labor Day weekend, and we will conclude it with our annual Fall Fest on the back end. Altogether it should be a great couple of months in the life of Mosaic church, and I can't wait to see what you do and what God might do through us along the way.

## YHAPTP Topics & Schedule

### 1. YHAPTP Introduction – Sep 8<sup>th</sup> (Musical Special: Difference Maker by NeedtoBreathe)

### 2. Fame Culture – Sep 15<sup>th</sup> (Spoken Word)

Celebrities. Magazine Covers. Photoshop. Photo Shoots. Selfies. Group-fies.

It feels like everywhere we look there's more than a little push and pulling towards being seen and feeling fabulous, just like that famous person you just know has it all made and everything put together *just right*.

Sometimes it can feel like if you're not a really big somebody, you're just a little nobody. How do we handle Fame Culture in our lives and our kids' lives? And how might we change if we saw that the nobodies and the unseen of the world were just the kind the God of the Bible made into somebodies?

### 3. Homelessness – Sep 22<sup>nd</sup> (Leah Hargrave Video)

Homeless people aren't just homeless, they are people, with lives and stories that are both heartbreaking and beautiful. But where does homelessness come from? How does it affect both the city in which we live and all of us? What can we do about it, and what might doing something about it do to us?

### 4. Creation Care – Sep 29<sup>th</sup> (Colby May Video)

When Christians and Jews read Psalm 24:1, "The Earth is the Lord's, and everything in it", what does that mean? Why does God make a covenant with the earth itself in the book of Genesis? Why is nature itself depicted as praising God and why is there so much talk about animals and plants in "the new heavens and the new earth"? There's so much debate in political circles over how the planet is doing, and where its future is headed. Regardless of opinion or debate, what if the people of God took the call of God to be stewards of God's planet seriously?

### 5. Politics – Oct 6<sup>th</sup> (Stephen Mansfield Preaching)

Red. Blue. Purple. My party. Your party. Their party. Whatever happened to the idea of "We the People?" Now, over the last 20 years, politics has become more, well, *politicized*, and voting tendencies, more than ever before, lean along racial and ethnic lines. How does the a person of faith, and the church of Jesus, respond in our current political crisis? New York Times best-selling author Stephen Mansfield has something to say about it that might help us out of it.

### 6. Modern Day Slavery – Oct 13<sup>th</sup> (Kim Lewis Video)

Unfortunately, slavery hasn't gone away, it's just gone underground. The brutal facts are that more people exist in slavery in our point in history than ever before, and that young women and children are most often the ones at risk. What can be done, and how can we have hope?

### 7. Our Common Humanity – Oct 20<sup>th</sup> (Spoken Word, Carrie Stephens Preaching)

*They are precious in his sight*, the old song goes. That's easy to see, but harder to live and feel. If anything, Mosaic Church exists to proclaim this single truth: God loves everyone, even if—and when-- they don't love Him. And sometimes the best way to help someone's life to be transformed by that truth, and by a common Savior, is to show them you remember what we all have in common, along with that Savior—our common humanity.

### 8. YHAPTP Recap – Oct 27<sup>th</sup> (Musical Special: TBD)