Introduction:
This week we are continuing a new series called ‘Church Chat’. Over the next few weeks we’re going to dive into the Bible and chat about the purpose of the church.

This week in Part 2, we’re going to look at the second set of vision-casting goals for us at Grace Community Church and what God is calling us to be and to do. We’re looking at what IS our business and what’s NOT our business.

Questions:
Have you ever missed out on something (or almost missed out) because of fear? Even in church, is there a healthy tension between risk and fear? Could fear keep you from great adventures that God has for you?

Have you bought into the lie that in order to be used by Jesus you have to be somebody special, that you need to be a spiritual giant? What if God wants to use ordinary people like you to do extraordinary things?

What was it that made Peter and John special? Why was it surprising to the religious leaders that Peter and John were unschooled, ordinary men? What was it that made them extraordinary? Acts 4:13
For us as a church, what does it mean to have an **Unshakable Devotion**? What does it look like to be fully devoted to following Jesus? Do you have that kind of devotion? How would you be different if the answer is "Yes, now what is the question?" Isn't that what a fully devoted follower looks like? Are you completely bought into Jesus or are you still on the bench? Acts 5:28-29; 40-41

How is an **Unselfish Community** biblical? Do you know what makes a church a biblical Church? How would that be different from being a selfish, safe, comfortable church? What does it look like for the church to be focused on loving each other? Are you willing to let God have whatever you have to be used for His glory? Shouldn't it be the church who comes to help anyone in need? Do the people in your church love each other? Acts 2:44-45

How did the apostles display an **Unwavering Focus**? What would that look like for the church to be like that today? How does that relate to our mission statement 'to Honor God by reaching people with the Good News of Jesus Christ and teaching them to become fully devoted followers of Him'? Is Jesus your top priority, do you have a single minded focus? Acts 5:41-42

As we look at the second part of our vision for Grace, are you ready to live with an **Unshakable Devotion**, as an **Unselfish Community** with an **Unwavering Focus** so that we can live out the dream with no regrets? How is that different than playing it safe and comfortable? Are you different because you have been with Jesus?

**Key Takeaway:** God loves to use ordinary people to do extraordinary things, people who have been with Jesus are different and God uses them to change the world. Our goal is to be a community of ordinary people who've been with Jesus. The answer is Yes, now what is the question?

**Summary:**
- Tension between risk and fear
- **Lie:** In order to be used by God, you have to be a spiritual giant
- God loves to use ordinary people who've been with Jesus
- Unshakable devotion - committed to obeying God vs men
- Unselfish community - focused on loving each other
- Unwavering focus - can't stop talking about Jesus
- Playing it safe vs living the dream with no regrets