



## 5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MEN OF SIMPLICITY

### 1 WHAT IS MEN OF SIMPLICITY?

Men of Simplicity (MOS) is a discipleship journey led by evangelist Mike Thibodeaux for men. MOS is a true brotherhood, filled with biblical teaching, meaningful discussion, real accountability, and fellowship.

### 2 WHY DOES MOS EXIST?

The goal of MOS is to equip men to live simply and purely devoted to Christ. We believe that men are God's divinely appointed leaders to effect change in their homes, churches, and communities. Our vision is to reach the current generation of men so that a generation not yet born might know and put their trust in God.

### 3 WHEN IS MOS?

MOS takes place every Monday at 6:45pm (PT). The meeting format alternates between Teaching and Discussion Weeks.

### 4 WHERE IS MOS?

MOS is located in Gresham, Oregon with satellite groups across the Northwest. Each group meets together locally on Monday nights and connects via Zoom to the main MOS group in Gresham where Mike Thibodeaux leads and teaches live each week.

### 5 HOW DO YOU JOIN THE MOS DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY?

If your church is participating in MOS as a satellite location, contact your pastor to find out how you can be a part of your church's local MOS group.

Alternatively, even if your church is not participating, you can join MOS individually. Call, text, or email Mike Thibodeaux to find out more and/or sign up for MOS: 971-219-6964 | [mike@simplicityministries.org](mailto:mike@simplicityministries.org)

Go to [simplicityministries.org](http://simplicityministries.org) and click on "Men of Simplicity" for more information.

**JOIN US THIS FALL**  
WEEKLY MEETINGS START SEPT. 12TH

MOS 2022 fall term: "Finishing strong!" Every man of God should make it his goal not only to run well but to finish well. From Paul's teaching in Rom. 6, case studies of Uzziah & Manasseh, & instruction from Heb. 12, men will learn how to finish strong.



# Men of Simplicity – MOS

Vision and Intro Meeting: Mon., Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:45pm

Fall Term Begins Weekly Meetings: Mon., Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:45pm

Location: FBC Gresham, OR and your local church via Zoom for MOS Connect Groups



**Goal:** Biblical manhood – men living simply and purely devoted to Christ (2 Cor. 11:3), no longer living for themselves but for Christ who died and rose again on their behalf (2 Cor. 5:15).

**Vision Impact:** *Psalm 78:3-8* What we have heard and learned– that which our ancestors have told us– <sup>4</sup> we will not hide from their descendants. We will tell the next generation about the LORD's praiseworthy acts, about his strength and the amazing things he has done. <sup>5</sup> He established a rule in Jacob; he set up a law in Israel. He commanded our ancestors to make his deeds known to their descendants, <sup>6</sup> so that the next generation, children yet to be born, might know about them. They will grow up and tell their descendants about them. <sup>7</sup> Then they will place their confidence in God. They will not forget the works of God, and they will obey his commands. <sup>8</sup> Then they will not be like their ancestors, who were a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation that was not committed and faithful to God.

**Weekly Meeting Formats:** MOS Fall term is Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> through Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6:45 pm. The winter term is Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 - Spring Break, with the Spring Term following Spring Break through June 12<sup>th</sup>. Location: FBC Gresham & Via Zoom for MOS Connect from your local church. There are two main formats for our meetings: a teaching week followed by a discussion week.

- **Teaching Week Format:** The first 10-15 minutes is an informal time of fellowship and connecting with other men in the group (a light snack to be provided by a different man each week). Following this time, we move directly into our teaching time from God's Word. After the Bible teaching, the men huddle up into groups for a brief 10-15 minute debriefing. Each man answers the questions: "What is the most significant thing the Lord has shown you tonight, and how will you act upon it?" The session ends with a closing prayer.
- **Discussion Week Format:** The first 10-15 minutes is an informal time of fellowship and connecting with other men in the group (a light snack to be provided by a different man each week). Following this time, we move into an accountability time in small groups (of three to four men) for about 20 minutes. This time focuses on three key questions: 1. Have you been with Jesus? (relationship with God) 2. Have you been with believers? (relationship with family and the body of Christ) 3. Have you been with the lost? (relationship with the unsaved) After our accountability time, the men move into discussion groups where they respond to questions regarding both the content and the application of the previous week's Bible teaching. This discussion time lasts about 35 minutes. The remaining 20 minutes is spent in a directed prayer time drawn from the Bible teaching.

**Commitment:** Men are asked to make a commitment to be actively involved. Actively involved allows for two-absences per term. We understand that 100% attendance is not possible or likely for any man. Sickness, unavoidable work issues, and family matters may hinder our attendance occasionally. We ask each man to make this commitment to God, their family, and to the other MOS brothers. This commitment is intended to help foster spiritual growth, excellent group dynamics, and a true brotherhood. When a man is out, it does affect the other men in the group.

At the end of each term, MOS members are asked to evaluate their experience and decide if they will make a commitment to be actively involved in the next term.