

OUTREACH

Week 8: OUTREACH

Daily I **WILL** exemplify a heart for the lost.

- *Learn to view sinners as lost, not bad.*
- *Compassion moves us to take action.*
- *We reach out in order to bring people in.*

Remember what it felt like to finally discover that there was hope in Jesus Christ for you? Remember the joy you felt when you first met Jesus Christ and knew that somehow everything was going to be okay? Well, there are multitudes of people that still do not know of this hope that we have. It can be easy to forget what it felt like to sit in darkness, especially after finding new life in Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. You don't have to wait until you are a bible scholar or until you hold a ministry title to begin to reach out to people who are lost without hope.

When Jesus saw sinful people, He didn't call them "bad." He called them "lost." He was moved by compassion for them and it compelled Him to move toward them. Outreach is reaching out in order to bring people in to join the family of God. For people who are lost, we ought to show them Jesus who is The Way. God doesn't intend for us to live in a Christian bubble. He equips us and fills us with His love so that we can reach out to others with it. Let's continue to ask God to open our eyes to the lost people around us every single day. At the grocery store, at our workplaces, in our families and circles of friends, people are looking for direction. Let's invite them to join this Jesus journey with us.

Supporting Statements:

- People that are lost need direction, not condemnation.
- Christ's compassion in us ought to move us to take action steps towards hurting people.
- With God's love, we reach into the darkness to pull people out and bring them into God's light.
- The only thing going to heaven are people. Make sure you take as many with you as you can.
- Make it your mission to unload hell and fill up heaven.

Read these passages:

Luke 19:2-10, Matthew 9:35-38



Answer the following questions in discussion form:

- What does this passage reveal about the nature of God?
- What does this passage reveal about Jesus?
- What does this passage reveal about me?

Weekly Challenge: This week we are going to write out one paragraph telling our Jesus story and share it with at least one person that needs to hear about The Gospel of Jesus Christ.