



## VIDEO #5 – SENT.

*Life with Jesus is living on mission to make Him known in powerful and practical ways!*

### OVERVIEW

There are people in this life who are longing for hope and love, and God desires to work through us in meeting those needs. When we are willing to step out and be the hands, feet, and voice of God, there is a blessing and joy that others receive and that we get as well. This Life Series video is meant to encourage you to live in such a way that you experience that joy and blessing daily.

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### OBJECTIVES

By the end of this discussion it is our hope and prayer that everyone knows the following Truths:

- GOD'S HEART IS FOR THE BROKEN AND LOST AND HE GIVES US THE AWESOME PRIVILEGE TO BE PART OF WHAT HE IS DOING TO REACH THEM.
- HIS STRATEGY FOR REACHING OTHERS IS FOR US TO GO MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL PEOPLE.
- WE LOVE THE LOST AND HURTING BY SHARING WITH THEM THE LOVE OF JESUS BOTH THROUGH OUR WORDS AND ACTIONS.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

After watching the video by yourself or as a group, please go through the following discussion/reflection questions to help these truths sink into your heart and mind. These questions are simply meant to guide you, so feel free to go off script and follow the discussion or your thoughts wherever it takes you to fully explore and embrace the Objectives!

**Objective #1** – God’s heart is for the broken and lost and He gives us the awesome privilege to be part of what He is doing to reach them.

**Read Matthew 9:36-38.**

When he [Jesus] saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.” (Matthew 9:36-38 NIV)

**Q:** According to this passage what compelled Jesus to have compassion towards others?

**Q:** How are the people around you like the crowds in this passage? Do you feel like the people in this passage?

**Q:** What is the harvest field and what does it mean that the harvest is plentiful? What does it mean to be a worker in this field?

**Q:** What is the first thing Jesus instructs his disciples to do in response to those that are hurting? What does this mean for us?

**Deep Thought:** As we pray, God works in the hearts of those who are His to go out into the harvest fields to love others and make Jesus known! Prayer not only impacts others hearts but ours as well. As you pray for others, you will start to see how those around you are hurting through a new perspective. You will grow to have a heart of compassion for them and then you will start looking for ways to care for them and ultimately share Jesus with them!

**Objective #2** – His strategy for reaching others is for us to go make disciples of all people.

**Read Matthew 28:18-20.**

And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18-20 ESV)

*Note:* This passage takes place shortly after Jesus was raised from the dead where He is giving His followers their new mission going forward in life. Essentially, it is the strategy for how to reach the world and bring the restorative power of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. These instructions by Jesus are often known as The Great Commission.

**Q:** What does it mean to be a disciple? (Read Luke 6:40 for more insight.)

**Q:** What is the relationship between discipleship and evangelism? Is discipleship the same as evangelism, completely different, or is evangelism a part of the discipleship process?

**Q:** Why does Jesus call us to be baptized, what does this represent? (Read Romans 6:4 for more insight.) Have you been baptized? If not, consider following Jesus in obeying this command.

**Q:** Jesus also says, “teaching them to observe (or obey) all that I have commanded.” Why is obeying what Jesus taught an important part of discipleship? What areas do you personally need to grow in obeying what Jesus taught?

**Q:** Do you have people in your life that are helping you grow as a disciple of Jesus? Who are you helping in the process of being a disciple of Jesus? What does that look like?

**Activity Break:** Think about using this video series with a younger believer to help them grow as a disciple of Jesus. Come up with a quick plan for how to do that and with whom.

**Objective #3** – We love the lost and hurting by sharing with them the love of Jesus both through our words and actions.

**Read 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 2:8**

We loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well. (Apostle Paul, 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 2:8)

**Q:** What sticks out to you about this verse?

**Q:** Why is it important to share the Gospel along with sharing your life? What does that practically look like in your school, sports team, friend group, family, etc...?

**Read James 1:27.**

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world. (James 1:27 ESV)

**Q:** What do we learn from this about God's heart for the practical needs of the least of those, the broken and hurting?

**Q:** What is the danger of only caring for others' physical or emotional needs but failing to share the Gospel with them?

**Q:** What is the danger of sharing the Gospel with others but failing to care for others' physical and emotional needs?

## PUTTING INTO PRACTICE

The following is a series of activities that you can do to help take the ideas you learned in this video and discussion and apply them to your life!

**Activity #1 PRAYER** – Make a list of people in your life who don't know Jesus yet. Spend some time praying for them each day over the next week and asking God to give you His heart for them, for their heart to be open, and for opportunities to share the love of Jesus with them.

**Activity #2 CARE**– Connect with one or more of the people on your list by meeting up, sending an encouraging message, writing a letter, or even setting up a video chat. Things to include as part of your conversation might be to ask about their life story, asking how they are doing and how you can pray for them, and see if there are any physical needs that you can help with.

**Activity #3 SHARE** – With that friend, also share about what God has done in your life and how He has made a difference. Share the good news of the life changing message of the GOSPEL.

**Resources** – Check out the *Life in 6 Words* App that will help you sharing the Good News of The Gospel by [clicking here](#). Also, check out this Ask, Admire, Admit video for more information on how to start a Gospel conversation by [clicking here](#).