

DEFINING MARKS OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE: Engaging the World

Each person proactively bringing the Gospel into their sphere of influence with word and action.

Read: Luke 5:27-32 Luke 19:1-10 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 Matthew 5:14-16

Please study these verses and then answer the following questions. Be concise in your answers. List specific principles that you glean from your study of these passages and give the accompanying scripture reference.

- 1. Luke 19:10 tells us that Jesus came to seek and to save that which was "lost". What does it mean for a person to be lost?
- 2. What do the accounts about Levi and Zaccheus teach us about Jesus' heart for the lost? What keeps us from having the same heart?
- 3. What is the "message of reconciliation" that we are to share with others? What qualifies us to give that message to others?
- 4. What picture does the word "Ambassador" create in your mind? What does it mean to be Christ's ambassador? What keeps you from living that role on a daily basis?
- 5. Matthew 5:14 says that as followers of Christ, we already are lights for Him. How well are you shining Jesus to the world around you? According to this passage, what is one of the primary ways that our light shines? What is the end-goal in being lights for Him?
- 6. What keeps us from spending time with those who need to know Jesus? What will it require to shine in close enough proximity to the "lost" so that they will see our good works?
- 7. Who are three people the Lord wants you to share your "transformation story" with?
- 8. What has the Lord put on your heart regarding your own growth as a result of this study? What specific action step will you take in order to move these truths from your head, through your heart, to your hands?