

LIKE A GOOD Neighbor



Positioned to BLESS WEEK SIX

SERIES BIG IDEA

We will be the _____ positioned to BLESS.

The _____ is Jesus' only plan to share the good news message of Jesus that will bless the world.

TEACHING BIG IDEA

Being _____ to BLESS everyday makes a gospel _____ in some way.

I will be disciplined to _____ in prayer.

"Father, where are You at work? Please give me the courage to _____ You there."

³⁵Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Matthew 9:35-38 (NIV)

When Jesus sees my _____, what does He see?

I will be disciplined to _____ to my neighbors.

- My _____ follow my _____. When I see what Jesus sees, I will listen to those whom Jesus sees.
- Listening to my neighbors and _____ their story without critiquing it builds our relationship.

¹⁵As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶but they were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹"What things?" he asked. "About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied.

Luke 24:15-19 (NIV)

Jesus asked questions and listened to people so their _____ could be _____ to His message of good news.

I will be disciplined to _____ with my neighbors.

⁷All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner." ⁸But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Luke 19:7-10 (NIV)

Eating with my neighbor engages a deeper relationship and _____ the good news that they are accepted.

I will be disciplined to _____ my neighbors.

¹⁴Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

John 13:14-15 (NIV)

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I serve my neighbors because _____ has served _____.

I will be disciplined to share parts of my Jesus _____.

Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

Romans 10:17 (NIV)

The good news message of Jesus builds people's _____ in Jesus.

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TEACHING SUMMARY:

In this life we all practice discipline in some way. For some it is discipline in study, for others it is discipline in exercise, and for some it is discipline in work. What is it that you are disciplined in?

Jack Lalane, one of the most physically disciplined men ever, said that his model of discipline came from watching his father. He talked about how watching his father, without hesitation get up, go to do whatever job he could find, and provide for his family was a model of how being disciplined could make a difference in the world. His father showed discipline during the depression and his family never went hungry or without a roof over their head while many people around experienced much harder things.

Lalane said the success of his father was because of his disciplined commitment to his family. When we look at the life of Jesus we get to see the discipline He showed in pursuing the people who were furthest from Him. Every thing He did was meant to draw people into an eternal relationship with Him. His commitment to them led to a disciplined life defined by the fruit of the Spirit.

TALK IT OVER:

Who is a model of a disciplined way of living in your life?
Why do you look at them as an example?

What does the life of Jesus teach you about being disciplined and show you about your own life?

What do you think life would look like if you lived a life that was disciplined, like Jesus was, to BLESS your neighbors?

What is one next step you can take based on today's teaching?

How can we be praying for you?

FURTHER READING:

Day 1) John 13:34-35

Day 2) Matthew 8:1-17

Day 3) Matthew 7:12-13

Day 4) Romans 13:8-10 & 14

Day 5) Matthew 28:18-20

Day 6) 2 Corinthians 5:17-20