

● **BE AWARE — BECAUSE JESUS WAS!**

■ **OF HOW I LIVE.**

“Be careful to live properly among your unbelieving neighbors.”

1 PETER 2:12A NLT

■ **OF THE PEOPLE AROUND ME —
ALL PEOPLE!**

“For God so loved the world...” **JOHN 3:16A ESV**

● **SHARE — BECAUSE JESUS DID!**

■ **YOUR LIFE.**

■ **YOUR STORY.**

“Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how He has had mercy on you.” **MARK 5:19B ESV**

■ **USE WORDS!**

*“But how can they call on Him to save them unless they believe in Him?
And how can they believe in Him if they have never heard about Him?
And how can they hear about Him unless someone tells them?”*

ROMANS 10:14 NLT

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.” **ROMANS 1:16A ESV**

NEXT WEEK: PRACTICING REST

PRACTICING THE WAY OF

JESUS

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JOHN FAIRCHILD

“I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” **JOHN 10:10B NIV**

**JESUS' WORDS: JOHN 12:46; MARK 10:45; LUKE 19:10;
JOHN 3:17; LUKE 4:18; MARK 2:17**

● **JESUS HAD A MISSION. AND THAT MISSION BECAME
OUR MISSION!**

“This is how we know we are in Him: Whoever claims to live in Him must live as Jesus did.” **1 JOHN 2:5B-6 NIV**

“Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.” **MATTHEW 28:19-20A NIV**

PRACTICING MISSION WITH JESUS

● **CARE — BECAUSE JESUS DID!**

“When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.” **MATTHEW 9:36 ESV**

● **PRAYER — BECAUSE JESUS DID!**

“Then He said to His disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.’” **MATTHEW 9:37-38 ESV**



This Study Guide is designed to help you apply Sunday's message. Join one of our message-based Community Groups to do this study together. Visit the Groups table after service to find a group!

LESSON AIM: The aim of this lesson is to learn from Jesus how to practice being on mission.

BELONG in God's family:

CHECK IN: (optional) Let's briefly check in with one another. How are you doing?

OPENING PRAYER

ICEBREAKER: What is the most exciting news you have received in the last month or year?

BECOME like Jesus:

1. Sunday's message centered on practicing mission, which is also referred to as the Great Commission. What point encouraged or excited you to 'Go'? What point was most challenging to you?
2. Read Matthew 28:16-20. Jesus tells us that because all authority has been given to Him, we are to go and make disciples. What do you think this means? How does this help us, and what about His assurance that He is with us always?
3. Ephesians 4:11-13 tells us that certain people are gifted in evangelism. Does that mean that if we don't have that gift, we shouldn't share our faith? Why or why not? Who shared faith with you? Was it their giftedness or love that influenced your heart?
4. See John 20:19-21. What fears do you think they felt in this Great Commission? What fears do you feel as you think about going out?

Jesus emphasized 'peace be with you' to His disciples, how could His peace help with any fear you might feel?

5. Go to Romans 10:9-15. In verses 14 and 15, think of your loved ones and neighbors as the 'they' that Paul refers to. How can loved ones and neighbors hear about Jesus unless someone tells them? Verse 15 says "how can someone share unless they are sent?" Do you feel sent by God to share the good news? Why or why not?

BLESS others:

Read Acts 10:34-43. In these verses, we see the word 'witness' a few times. What does it mean to you to be a witness for Jesus? What difficulties might both parties have felt as the gentiles heard the good news for the first time? How does the leading of the Holy Spirit help us know who and where we are supposed to witness?

BUILD God's Kingdom:

Let's read 1 Peter 3:15-16. Not everyone is a missionary that goes afar to share faith, but we all have a mission field. What or where is yours? As we go in life, God calls us to make, encourage, and mentor disciples. How prepared do you feel to explain your faith?

BELIEVE God and act in faith:

What step of faith can you take this week in the practice of making disciples? What do you sense the Holy Spirit is leading you to do with "Practicing the Way of Jesus?"

PRAYER: What is a challenge you are facing this week? How can we pray and support you?

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