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Reaching out to my world flows from being rooted in Jesus

1. You responded to Jesus because something about Him <u>appealed</u> to you

Colossians 2:6

Why did you 'receive Christ Jesus as Lord'?

<u>Commander</u> – Jesus is rightfully Lord and there is a need to respond appropriately to His authority over one's life

John 20:27-29

<u>Christ</u> – Jesus is the fulfillment of who God promised would come and make all things new

John 1:40-41

<u>Champion</u> – Jesus rescues from sin and death and brings people into His new Kingdom

John 4:39-42

<u>Cleanser</u> – Jesus has the power to forgive sins and to make one clean in a way that was never thought possible

Luke 7:44-48

<u>Compadre</u> – Jesus offered a love and friendship unlike anything someone could ever experience

John 15:12-15

2. Once you receive Jesus, you're directed to keep <u>living</u> in Him

Colossians 2:6-7

"rooted [in Him]" – the Greek word here means "to cause to take root; metaphorically: to plant, fix firmly, establish"

Since Jesus is doing the rooting, the establishing, you can have **confidence** in what He's doing to help you become connected to Him.

Ephesians 3:17-19

3. As you are living in Jesus, the overflow <u>reaches</u> into your relationships

Colossians 2:6, 7

Your thankfulness for who Jesus is and what He's done for you should overflow into your <u>relationships</u>

- a. Make a <u>list</u>
- b. <u>Pray</u>
- c. <u>Invest</u>
- d. Invite
- e. <u>Prepare</u>

#### Now What?

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### Week of October 1 Rooted & Reaching

In this series, we will focus on being "Rooted in Jesus and Reaching our worlds." Home groups are a great place where we can have conversation and pray for one another. Please call if we can help you connect into a group. (909) 335-7333



When was a time in your life when you were overflowing with thankfulness? (Relationship? Children? Career?) How did it overflow? How did others react?



The following passages are stories of people who turned to Jesus. What drew them to Jesus? Why did they follow Him?

Mark 2:13-14

Mark 7:24-30

Mark 10:46-52

John 3:1-15

John 6:66-69

Acts 2:29-41

Acts 4:32-37

**Reflection**: Last week we encouraged you to share about "your people" that need Jesus, "mercies" God has done for you, and how ready you feel to influence people.



# Discuss Together

Read Colossians 2:6-7 together. What does it mean to "receive Christ Jesus as Lord?"

If you are in the process of considering Jesus, what about him appeals to you? If you have already chosen to follow Him, what appealed to you? What motivated you to keep moving forward and say "Yes?" How were people involved in the process?

What helps you to "continue to live in Him?" How are Christ-followers a part?

Read Ephesians 3:17-19. What is Jesus doing as you live in Him?

Considering our verses, how might this all "overflow" into our worlds?



### **Pray**

- For specific needs of people who are in need or suffering
- For overflowing thankfulness and grace as we interact with our worlds.



## **Apply It This Week**

Reflect on this: Could the people in my world know that I overflow with thankfulness?