# Sent to Share Part Two Message Notes

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## Heart Crew Homework

For the week of April 20 & 21, 2024

### MY STORY

- Share a time when you had exciting news to tell or when someone shared great news with you. What was the news, and how did that experience feel?
- 2. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

## DIGGING DEEPER

- Over the weekend Pastor Dan reminded us that grateful people share their story, prompting us to embrace an attitude of gratitude about our salvation story. Let's explore these two verses from Paul that illustrate what Jesus has done for us: Ephesians 2:8-9, Colossians 1:12-14
  - a. How does Paul's description of salvation reflect the grace and power of God in in your life?
  - b. Reflecting on what God has done for you, how does this understanding lead us to a place of gratitude and thankfulness?

- 2. Sharing our faith and story is integral to our faith journey. As we reflect on scriptures that emphasize this principle, jot down either what motivates you to share your story or what hinders you from doing so.
  - a. Matthew 28:19-20
  - b. Mark 16:15
  - c. Acts 1:8
  - d. Romans 10:14
  - e. 1 Peter 3:15
  - f. What practical steps could you take to start or remain consistent in sharing your story?
- 3. Pastor Dan went over the BLESS method and how to use it when it comes to sharing your faith and story. Let's continue to look at the story of Zacchaeus in Luke 19:1-10, to see how this method was implemented.

Begin with prayer- Luke 19:1-4 Listen- Luke 19:5-6 Eat- Luke 19:5 Serve- Luke 19:7 Share - Luke 19:8-10

- a. What can we learn from Jesus' using the **BLESS** approach with Zacchaeus to enhance our interactions and sharing of Jesus with others?
- 4. If you could describe your life before, knowing Christ in just three words, what would they be and why?

- a. How does remembering your own journey and transformation influence your understanding of how important it is to share your faith?
- 5. Let's look at a few verses that paint a picture of what it looks like to live without Jesus. How might our own story and these scriptures help us empathize with those who are missing Jesus in their lives?

2 Thessalonians one: 8–9 Matthew 25:46 Ephesians 2:12 John 14:27 2 Corinthians 4:4

#### **Reflection & Prayer**

Pastor Dan introduced a '5 for 5' challenge: to pray for five people for five minutes each day. Take time to write down their names and pray for them at home and in your Heart Crews.

#### **Guided Prayer**

Lord, your word says I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Jesus, give me a Christ-centered compassion for those who are lost and in darkness. Fill me with your Spirit, and lead me to the people who you called me to share the good news of your love and my story. Lord, help me to know that You are with me, that You will provide the right words for me to speak, that Your Spirit grants me boldness, that You can lead me out of my comfort zone, as you create opportunities for me to share my faith. In Jesus' name, Amen.