

AS YOU GO . . .

Day 1:

READ Matthew 28:16-17

Share is often described as an event or a task. We say “We are going to do an outreach event or I am going to do evangelism, but what if Share is the natural outgrowth of a life that follows Jesus? What are some ways you have tried to Share in the past? Were they effective? Do you find yourself feeling a little afraid or anxious to Share? What would it look like to let sharing become a part of your WORSHIP to God and not just simply a task?

Day 2:

READ Matthew 28:18-20

Jesus said to them, “Go therefore and make disciples....” How did Jesus make disciples? What did He do with these men? What did He say to them? What can we learn from the relationship of Jesus with His disciples? Before He chose the 12 to be His disciples, Jesus had already probably spent 12-18 months with them. The first months that Jesus spent with His disciples are only found in John 1-4. Three days after Jesus's baptism we find the first interaction between Jesus and them. The story begins in John 1:35. Jesus' ministry began with individual relationships. Take time to PRAY for the individuals that surround you in your life and ask for the Holy Spirit to speak to give you wisdom to walk and talk with them as you go.

Day 3:

READ 1 Corinthians 1:5-6

Everyone has a story. Experiences that have formed our faith. How would you tell your story? Take time to write some things down that have impacted your life and some ways that those experiences could be helpful or inspiring to someone else? AS YOU GO to work, school, or while you are running errands, take time to NOTICE how your story could impact those around you.

Day 4:

READ John 3:1-21, John 3:16

If Share becomes an invitation to a relationship with Jesus in which we realign our life to become like Jesus, Share becomes more natural and more revolutionary. When we start with relationships in which we listen to a person's story and share our story, then it becomes very natural for us to share Jesus' story and invite people to make their story part of Jesus' story. TAKE TIME at work or school to make conversation with someone and find out about their story. Listening to people's life stories and experiences can open many opportunities for you to invite them to look to Jesus for hope and salvation.

Day 5:

READ Colossians 4:2-6

Share becomes how we live in word and deed and service. We live in such a way that people see Jesus in our lives. Take some time to reflect on the ways your conversations with others has influenced you. How have others been influenced by you in word, deed, or service? What are some opportunities you have in your life, as you go right now, to be Jesus to those around you? As in individual, as a family or with a group of friends, take time to PRAY and ask the Holy Spirit to give you insight as to what your next step will be toward living in such a way that people will see Jesus in your life AS YOU GO.

Next steps:

Further reading:

Just Walk Across the Room by Bill Hybels

The Good and Beautiful God by James Bryan Smith

The Reason for God by Timothy Keller