

# Small Group Homework

## (LEADERSHIP GUIDE)

For the Week of November 2, 2014  
(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

**MAIN IDEA:** Alex Gilpin taught about living an incarnational life. Incarnation means to take on flesh. We should follow the example of Christ and His ministry, reaching people on “their turf.” God is actively at work. Will we join Him in what He is already doing?

### QUICK REVIEW

1. Looking back over last weekend's message, what point, illustration, or idea did you need to hear most?

### GETTING TO KNOW YOU

2. This weekend's message made us think about “how” the gospel is presented on mission. How was the gospel presented to you? **\*This is a great time for you to open up, as a leader, about how the gospel was presented to you and how you responded at first.**

### INTO THE BIBLE

3. Hugh Halter says, *“The incarnational life is offered to everybody, but very few will take it. It doesn't come easy, it doesn't come without a choice, it doesn't come without faith, it doesn't come without a leap. WHAT IF actually following Jesus means that when you walk out the door of your house every morning you actually get to see what God is doing and participate, you literally get to be GOOD NEWS. I would definitely sign up for that.”*

What can you draw from this quote?

What might God be doing around you already and asking you to participate in? **\*We want people to realize that God is at work all around them doing His part. Will we do ours? Where is He already working that we may have been ignoring?**

4. So let's spend some time looking at how Jesus lived out his mission. Look up the following references and write out the corresponding subjects: **\*The whole point of this exercise is for people to see that Jesus did His ministry "out and about." What we see is that Jesus' ministry had no set form, it often didn't happen the same way twice, he didn't always instigate the conversation and it almost always was on THEIR TURF!**

<u>Reference</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Where It Happened</u>
*Ex. John 2:1-10	Turned water Into wine	Wedding
John 3:1-4		
John 4:4-10		
Luke 4:38-44		
Luke 5:1-8		
Luke 5:17-21		
Luke 7:11-19		
Luke 9:10-17		

Luke 17:11-19

If you had to put a name on Jesus' ministry style, what would you call it?  
**\*We would say it would be called "Along the way!"**

### **TAKING IT HOME**

5. How we bring the good news of the gospel is hugely important. Jesus often times did ministry on "their turf." How could you follow His example? **\*Our tone and tact when telling people about Jesus communicates how much we've been affected by the gospel. If we're rude, short, and argumentative with people, the message of the gospel may fall on deaf ears.**
6. What is God telling you to obey from this week's sermon, study in the Word, and time together? **\*Obedience is key to our application.**

**PRAYER REQUESTS \*THIS IS A GREAT TIME TO PRAY, MEN WITH MEN AND WOMEN WITH WOMEN. BREAKING THINGS UP IN THAT WAY OPENS UP FOR MORE HONESTY AND TRANSPARENCY.**

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