

1. Meet and Great Ice Breaker and introduction question

- a. High 5s, Jesus celebrates your salvation, when were you saved?
- b. \* “I don’t know, maybe today will be the day”

### Testimony Time...

This week ...Investing in our people of peace. Last week, Knowing we are Sent.

### Prayer for the week

Lord help me to celebrate salvation, help to make my long list of people to pray for longer, show me my short list, and help me invest & share deeply with those People of Peace today.

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### Salvation Celebration...

The parables of the **lost coin**, **lost sheep** and **lost sons** in Luke 15 show the priority of God the Father towards seeing lost people coming to their senses and the joy God knows when the lost are found and restored to his forgiven family.

Remember the parable of the **Lost Coin**, (woman searched far and wide for the 1 coin even though she had ten others). The **Lost Sheep**, (Shepherd went out of His way, out of the comfort of his home to find the ONE). Or the **Lost Sons**, t(he father sees his lost son coming from afar, and runs to him. He had been looking for his return the whole time, waiting 7 searching.)

God takes great joy knowing the lost are found, it's His top priority to see lost people come to their senses and be restored by Jesus.

Leads to Celebrations!

It's a **compassion** for the lost and an **urgency** of seeking the lost that shaped Jesus' plans each day and controlled his ambitions.

the Bible tells us in Philippians 2 that Jesus empties himself and becomes obedient even to death on a cross – and **why?** As Hebrews 12:2 tells us He endured the cross because of the **joy set before him**.

Jesus celebrated when you were saved!

What was the joy Jesus had after the cross that he didn't have as God before the cross? Not joy in tasting death, not joy in seeing vengeance upon His attackers... the joy set before Him was... you, and me. Jesus endured the cross because our reconciliation to God compelled him to love the lost with his whole life.

Jesus endured the cross, loved the lost with all that He had so he could make us right with God the Father.

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## Investing in POP

### Mark 1. 35-38

And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there **he prayed**. And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." And he said to them, "**Let us go** on to the next towns, **that I may preach** there also, for that is why I came out."

To lead ppl to Jesus & Celebrate doing so ... we are going to need to **invest in peoples lives**.

But WHO do we invest in? Ask God **who** to invest in...the enemy would love to have us super busy sharing the gospel with ppl **NOT ready** to receive the good news of Christ.

**Identify ...Ppl NOT ready... react like rhinos, or like hedgehogs.**

Investing requires **spiritual discernment**, to have this **we need to pray**

From prayer... you **GO** ... but who do you *go to*? The ppl already in your life.

**Long list**, who is on it? = **FRANK**. Friends Relatives Associates Neighbors Kids, (parents of your kids)

These are ALL the ppl who you will come in contact with, people who may be part of your past, but still remotely involved in your life through social media. Ppl maybe not ready to receive YET, ppl who you aren't necessarily involved with in a real relationship, but they are in your lives.

What do you do with those FRANKs? Hand them to God in prayer in the hope they might one day be closer to you.

**Short list** is **ppl of peace**. These are the ppl you invest in heavily!

**POP** characteristics

- ~ Who do you currently spend time with?
- ~ Who do you share common interests with?
- ~ Who you have opportunities to talk with?
- ~ Who is asking you questions or **open to conversations** of faith?

The second step in being everyday missionaries is to understand that we are called to **invest our time in the people of peace** in our lives today.

What do you do with POP...

**ENGAGE** with them in every day life.

Adjust your life, include in your life, intentionally making them a part of your life so they can SEE JC alive in you. Be willing to **listen**, show you care, not correcting everything in their life, but showing **compassion with intention** to share the gospel hope you possess.

Those people, who we have on going relationship with and have a receptiveness to questions of faith, are the people we are called to pray for daily, do life with regularly, and share our gospel shaped thoughts with honestly.

The gospel isn't cheap, it's costly, and so is investing our time with ppl! If we are going to share the gospel with POP we have to be willing to **actively engaged** w ppl who don't know Jesus in a way that relationships are forming. AND relationships are difficult.

Invest heavily in your POP, in the hope you might someday soon celebrate their salvation and growth in Jesus!

That's the call of every believer. Whether an extro or introvert!

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**Prinking Questions: (Done alone in silence, or whisper voices) (4 minutes)**

**Rate self from 1-10**

1. Rate yourself 1-10 , How excited do you get when ppl are saved.
  2. FRANK List...
    - a. Who are the people on your "Long List FRANK list
    - b. Do these people ever hear about what the Lord is doing in your life? Rate it
  3. POP Characteristics Screen
    - a. Who might be some POPs in your life?
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**Small Group Discussion: In groups of three or four. 12 Minutes (Switch question slides every 3 Minutes)**

1. Why does Jesus Celebrate salvation? ~ Why should we celebrate salvation?
  2. How can we make our long list *longer* ?
  3. How do you identify P.O.P.? (Clue...Poster)
  4. What can we do to be more engaged with P.O.P?
  5. How do we show and share Christ with these POP?
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**Large Group Discussion:**

Quickly go over the 4 small group questions - asking for volunteers to answer

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### Wrap up.

**Samaritan Woman @ Well**, Jesus went out of His way to meet with her, He saw she was a POP, common need, interest... water. Jesus engaged with her. As she asked questions Jesus reveals the kingdom to her. She asks for the living water of life. Jesus gave it to her!  
What does she do? Goes and tells the whole town about Jesus & says, "Come see for yourself!"

Jesus went out of His way to invest in this woman of Samaria, this POP. Likewise, **we are to spend our time, energy & resources investing in people**, some are on the FRANK list, we simply pray for them.

The ppl in our lives that are **willing to listen, the POP** are on our short list, we **invest in them** personally, spending time engaging in life with them. Sharing the gospel by how we live, so that when we open our mouths about Jesus we've already built a trust bridge, there is relational capital already built up.

You are a SENT, sent ppl ...Invest in People of Peace

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### Prayer for the week

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