

# Prepare The Way

He Gets Us: Part 1

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**A prepared heart  
is a where we need to start.**

*"I will send my messenger ahead of you who will prepare your way-  
a voice of one calling in the wilderness, prepare the way for the Lord,  
make straight paths for him." Mark 1:2-3 NIV*

## **5 Ways God Uses Spiritual Preparation.**

### **1. Preparation leads to reconciliation.**

*For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son,  
how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! Romans 5:10 NIV*

*Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may  
come from the Lord...Acts 3:19 NIV*

**Action Steps:  
Commit your life to Jesus.  
Is there a sin to confess?**

### **2. Preparation gives clarification.**

*But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as  
well. Matthew 6:33 NIV*

*"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to  
you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the  
door will be opened. Matthew 7:7-8 NIV*

**Action Step:  
"Lord, what do you want to do in me  
over the next six weeks?"**

### 3. Preparation helps bring transformation.

*Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12:2 NIV*

*All of us, then, reflect the glory of the Lord with uncovered faces; and that same glory, coming from the Lord, who is the Spirit, transforms us into his likeness in an ever greater degree of glory. 2 Corinthians 3:18 GNT*

**Action Step:  
Mark Reading Plan**

### 4. Preparation shows us we need collaboration.

*Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble. Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 NLT*

*And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:24-25 NIV*

**Action Steps:  
Catch every message  
Get in a Group**

### 5. Preparation helps me with invitation.

*"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." Matthew 4:19 NIV*

*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20 NIV*

**Action Step:  
Start thinking about who you  
can invite to Easter Services.**