

"And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

Luke 2:9-11 ESV

"As it is written and forever remains written, 'there is none righteous [none that meets God's standard], not even one.'"

Romans 3:10 AMP

"So you must remain in life-union with me, for I remain in life-union with you. For as a branch severed from the vine will not bear fruit, so your life will be fruitless unless you live your life intimately joined to mine. I am the sprouting vine and you're my branches. As you live in union with me as your source, fruitfulness will stream from within you - but when you live separated from me you are powerless."

John 15:4-5 TPT

"As Jesus and the disciples continued on their journey, they came to a village where a woman welcomed Jesus into her home. Her name was Martha and she had a sister named Mary. Mary sat down attentively before the Master, absorbing every revelation he shared. But Martha became exasperated by finishing the numerous household chores in preparation for her guests, so she interrupted Jesus and said, 'Lord, don't you think it's unfair that my sister left me to do all the work by myself? You should tell her to get up and help me.' The Lord answered her, 'Martha, my beloved Martha. Why are you upset and troubled, pulled away by all these many distractions? Are they really that important? Mary has discovered the one thing most important by choosing to sit at my feet. She is undistracted, and I won't take this privilege from her.'"

Luke 10:38-42 TPT



SERMON TAKEAWAYS

How To Hit The Mark

- 1. Remember The Reason
- 2. Recognize The Standard
- 3. Remain With The Savior
- 4. Recognize The Distraction
- 5. Respond To The Salvation

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What do you look forward to with the Christmas season? What do you dread about the Christmas season?
- 2. God's standard is set very high for us. What do you do on a daily basis to live a life of purpose for Jesus?
- 3. Do you ever try to do things your way and end up treading water? How does your perspective change after reading John 15:4-5?
- 4. Are you living a life of distractions? What in your life is causing you to miss the mark (be honest)?
- 5. If Jesus came to your home unannounced, would you sit at His feet or would you scurry around and focus on everything that is out of place? What moments have you missed out on due to distractions?



PRAYER FOCUS

This week, ask God to recenter your life. Ask for wisdom in removing the everyday distractions you face. Ask God for a daily, fresh reminder of who He is so that you can hit the mark.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AT THE MOVIES: Christmas Edition - Christmas is the most wonderful time of the year so get ready for "At The Movies: Christmas Edition!!" Clark showed us that if we aren't careful, we can get carried away in having the "perfect Christmas" and miss the mark! Next week we will jump aboard the Polar Express and head to the North Pole! Don't miss the finale of At The Movies!

December 15th - Polar Express (LEGACY Offering)

Christmas At Rescue House - Make plans now to celebrate Christmas with us! We hope to see you and your family there!

December 22nd - 9:30am Mocksville Campus - 11:00am Winston Salem Campus

Christmas Eve Experience

December 24th - 5:00pm Mocksville Campus

