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WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO
WITH THE REST OF YOUR LIFE?

HIDE & SEEK

"Jesus replied, 'You must love the **Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.**' This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: '**Love your neighbor as yourself.**' The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments." Matthew 22:37-40 (NLT)

"...Go and **make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them** in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands** I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20 (NLT)

I. God's Purposes For My Life

- #1. God wants me to know Him and love Him back. **Worship** – "Worship Is A Lifestyle"
"...Love the Lord your God with all your heart..." Matthew 22:37
- #2. We need a Spiritual Family. **Membership** – "You Can't Do Life Alone"
"...Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19
- #3. God wants me to grow up to be more like Jesus. **Discipleship** – "Growing People Change"
"Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you." Matthew 28:20
- #4 – I serve God by serving others. **Ministry** – "Saved People Serve People"
"...Love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:39
- #5 – God wants me to bring other people to Him. **EVANGELISM** – "Found People Find People"
"...Go and make disciples of all nations..." Matthew 28:19

II. How To Complete My Mission

[Jesus] "Just as you sent Me into the world, **I am sending them** into the world." John 17:18 (NLT)

"Again He [Jesus] said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, so I am **sending you.**" John 20:21 (NLT)

[Jesus] "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And **you will be My witnesses,** telling people about Me everywhere—in **Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.**" Acts 1:8 (NLT)

- ❖ "Jerusalem" = people closest to me **(HERE)**
- ❖ "Judea/Samaria" = people near to me **(NEAR)**
- ❖ "Ends of the earth" = everybody else! **(FAR)**

1) I start by sharing Jesus with people **closest to me.** (HERE)

[Jesus] "'Return to your own house, and **tell** what great things God has done for you.' And he went his way and **proclaimed** throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him." Luke 8:39 (NKJV)

"...Always be **prepared to give an answer** to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect..." 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)

Action Steps:

- Share my faith story
- Invite them to church
- Give a Faith-Sharing NT
- Give the "Case for Christ/Faith"

2) I must share the Good News with people **beyond my circle** of friends and family...people in my community, state, and region. (NEAR)

*"...Whatever a person is like, I try to **find common ground** with him so that he will let me tell him about Christ and let Christ save him."* 1 Peter 9:22 (TLB)

[Jesus] *"For I was hungry, and you fed Me. I was thirsty, and you gave Me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited Me into your home. I was naked, and you gave Me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for Me. I was in prison, and you visited Me."* Matthew 25:35-36 (NLT)

Action Steps:

- Same as above.
- Give a "Blessing Bag"
- Find a need and meet it.
- Look for them..

3) I must help every person on the planet know that God loves them and wants a relationship with them through His son Jesus. (FAR)

*"Go into **all the world** and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."* Mark 16:15 (ESV)

*"...As the Father has sent Me, so I am **sending you.**"* John 20:21 (NLT)

Action Steps:

- Same as above.
- Go on a mission trip.
- Pray for nations and people.
- Tithe/Give to mission emphasis.
- Sponsor a child through "Compassion International."