

NEXT STEPS

- ☐ Today, I make a first-time commitment to follow Jesus as the Lord of my life.
- ☐ When criticized, I will take the time to evaluate the criticism so I can choose to respond appropriately
- ☐ I will not back down from rejection when I am following Jesus and standing for His truth. But I will do so in a manner that honors Jesus.

COUNT ME IN

- ☐ Send me the link to sign up for Man Camp on August 20-22.
- ☐ Send me the link to sign up for Get Ahead beginning Tuesday, July 28th @ 6:15pm.

You're Invited!

KIDS OWN
AT THE MOVIES

DAVID

July 28th 10AM
Houston Lake Cinemas

25 CONFESSIONS

\$2 Tickets! PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS BEFORE!

TICKET

GET AHEAD
BIBLICAL HELP
MANAGING MONEY

FREE 6-WEEK STUDY
LEARN TOOLS TO HELP

- ☒ SPEND WISELY
- ☒ SAVE CONSISTENTLY
- ☒ DEVOUR DEBT
- ☒ LIVE GENEROUSLY

July 28th @ 6:15pm

CLASS BLITZ!

PRE-REQUISITES MAY BE REQUIRED

CLASS 101 MEMBERSHIP	CLASS 201 MATURITY	CLASS 301 MINISTRY	CLASS 401 MISSION
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AUGUST 12TH | 6PM

COOEE, TN

SIGN UP HERE!

MAN CAMP
AUG 20-22

BRING A BUDDY AND COME ON!

FINISHING THE TASK

CABO VERDE

POPULATION: 527,326

RELIGION: The majority of the population is Roman Catholic (73%), with 21% identifying as Protestant. In practice, Catholicism is often enriched with African elements...drumming, processions, masks, and dancing in African styles. Although many Cabo Verdeans can trace Jewish ancestry, virtually none are practicing.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, May the Light of Your gospel that shines so brightly in Cabo Verde reach beyond her borders to other unsaved peoples. May Your children in Cabo Verde grow in relationship to You and to each other. May they diligently pass on their Christian heritage to all future generations. Bless Your children in Cabo Verde as they continue to seek You with their whole hearts. Amen



Summer

ROAD TRIP

7/19/2026

Read from Nazareth (Rejection)

"There's no place like home....till they try to kill you."

I. "Why Are You Guys So Angry?" Luke 4:14-30

1. Jesus claims to be the Messiah.

*"The Scripture you've just heard has been fulfilled this very day!"
Luke 4:21b (NLT)*

2. Jesus wouldn't perform miracles on demand.

*"And so He did only a few miracles there because of their unbelief."
Matthew 13:58 (NLT)*

3. Jesus included the Gentiles in God's salvation plan.

"And many in Israel had leprosy in the time of the prophet Elisha, but the only one healed was Naaman, a Syrian." Luke 4:27 (NLT)

II. How To Handle Rejection Matthew 5:10-12

1. First, **EVALUATE** the criticism.

"Why is this happening?"

*"God blesses those who are **persecuted for doing right**, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs."
Matthew 5:10 (NLT)*

- a) Sometimes we bring criticism on ourselves by our own behavior.
- b) Sometimes we experience rejection because of brokenness and disfunction of people around us.
- c) Sometimes we face criticism and rejection because we are following Jesus and standing for truth.

2. When under fire, keep things in **PERSPECTIVE**.

*"Words are painful;
but they aren't going to kill you."*

*"God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you **because you are My followers.**"
Matthew 5:11 (NLT)*

- a) Sometimes people will **mock** you for following Jesus.
- b) Sometimes people will **persecute** you for following Jesus.
- c) Sometimes people will **slander** you for following Jesus.

3. **BE GLAD** when you suffer because of following Jesus. It's an honor.

*"Be happy about it! **Be very glad!** For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way."
Matthew 5:12 (NLT)*

How can I do that?

Remember...God has given us:

- a) **Purpose.** We have a mission and a worthy reason to live for.
- b) **Peace.** Jesus offers us peace in the middle of storms.
- c) **Promise.** One day God will settle all accounts and put everything right.

*"If you were arrested for being a Christian,
would there be enough evidence to convict you?"*

Billy Graham