

Life in Color

Week 1 - Invitation

Main Point: You Love them to win them...but love must have a WHY and a HOW. We want something for them, not from them. Pray, Prepare and extend the invitation.

1. When did you first believe in Jesus and become a follower of His? Who played a role in reaching you with this message?
2. Read John 3:16. When did you first hear or see this verse? What did you think? Since becoming a believer, how have your thoughts on this verse changed?
3. **Four Keys to know:**
 - a. Realize People want connection in community. Why? God created us for community. A place where we can be cared for and will contribute to life change.
 - b. Leverage Your Relationships. The number one influence in leading a person to Christ is a friend or family member.
 - c. Cultivate Opportunity. Settle in your heart what you would like to do and look for the right time to do it.
4. Read Colossians 4:5. Break down the verse. "Live wisely among those who are not believers". It may seem obvious why this is so important – but how could NOT "living wisely" ruin your opportunity to speak into others lives about Christ? "Make the most of opportunity". How can you make the most of opportunities with someone on your list of 5?
5. Read 1 Peter 3:15. Be Prepared. How can you prepare yourself to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope you have in Christ? Write your thoughts/ideas down and share it with your group.

Challenge: On the count of 3 everyone sing the theme song to Cheers, (Google if need be). A great little tune about community. Unfortunately, those words did not get anyone to heaven. Read John 3:16 together. If you haven't already – memorize John 3:16 because those are POWERFUL and life changing words.

Hope you are preparing for Easter by reading the **16-Days to Easter** daily devotionals with us. Check it out on the Cypress web, app and social media.