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ROMANS

A LETTER THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

MAKING LIFE COUNT | ROMANS 15:7-33

ROMANS 1-11

THEOLOGICAL FOUNDATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

Jesus saves sinners like me

ROMANS 12-15

RIGHT RESPONSE TO THE GOOD NEWS

Offer your body as a living sacrifice

ROMANS 15

PAUL'S PERSONAL RESPONSE TO THE GOOD NEWS

Share it with EVERYONE!

THREE WAYS TO MAKE SURE YOU DON'T WASTE YOUR LIFE:

1. BE DEVOTED TO PUTTING OTHERS FIRST THROUGH _____.



Open Your Bible to - ROMANS 15:7-9 to follow along.

“ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,”

EPHESIANS 2:14 (NIV)



Open Your Bible to - ROMANS 15:14 to follow along.

2. BE COMMITTED TO GOD'S GREATER STORY BY _____.

“ The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 PETER 3:9 (NIV)



Open Your Bible to - ROMANS 15:17-20 to follow along.

“ We ask how does God fit into the story of my life when the real question is where does my life fit into the great story of God's mission. ”

~ CHRISTOPHER WRIGHT
The Mission of God's People

“ Only one life 'twill soon be past. Only what's done for Christ will last.

Some want to live within the sound of church or chapel bell; I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell.

~ C.T. STUDD
Missionary

Let us not glide through this world and then slip quietly into heaven, without having blown the trumpet loud and long for our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Let us see to it that the devil will hold a thanksgiving service in hell, when he gets the news of our departure from the field of battle.

3. SURRENDER YOUR PLANS TO OBEYING THE _____ AND MAKING DISCIPLES OF _____.

“ 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.”

MATTHEW 28:19-20A (NIV)



Open Your Bible to - **ROMANS 15:23-27** to follow along.

“ It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.”

ISAIAH 49:6 (NIV)

THREE RESPONSES TO THE GREAT COMMISSION:

_____, _____, OR _____.

SO WHAT?

SIMPLE STEPS TO JOIN GOD'S GLOBAL STORY

- Adjust your _____.
- Adjust the size and scope of _____.
- Adjust your _____.
- Adjust your _____.

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DISCUSSION *Questions*

- 1 - How do you think most people would finish this sentence: My ambition in life is? How would you finish that sentence these days?
- 2 - In Romans 15:14-33 Paul shares more personally about why he wrote Romans and what his upcoming travel plans are. After reading these verse how would you describe what is most important in life to Paul?
- 3 - Romans 15:7-13 talks a great deal about the relationship between Jewish and Gentile Christians. Why does Paul spend so much time emphasizing the importance of unity between these (and other) groups? See also Ephesians 2:14
- 4 - Have you ever been a part of a dis-unified group? If so what was that like?
- 5 - When you hear about the importance of “evangelism” what is your first response? How do you relate to Paul's ambition to “make Christ known?”
- 6 - What do you see as your biggest hindrance from sharing Christ with others? What can you do to overcome that?
- 7 - What is your first response to scriptures likes Matthew 28:19-20 or Isaiah 49:6 and God's priority to be known among the nations? What part do you see yourself playing in fulfilling the great commission described in these verses?
- 8 - Share with your group a person, or people, that you believe God might be calling you to share Him with? Pray for each other and opportunities for reach those people.