

# JESUS EVERYDAY

## GOSPEL INTEGRATION

### DISCUSSION GUIDE

#### WEEK 1: DIGITAL

##### Read the Text

##### 1 Corinthians 9:19-23

<sup>19</sup> For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup> To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup> To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup> To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. <sup>23</sup> I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

##### Main Point

This week, we launched our *Jesus Everyday* series where we'll spend four weeks exploring how to be effective disciples and evangelists in our everyday spheres of influence.

5 billion people in the world are on some sort of social media platform, so talking about evangelism in the digital space is more

relevant than ever. ***The digital spaces in which we participate are legitimate areas of our lives that can be leveraged to help people come to Christ.*** It's wise for us to prayerfully consider how we are to interact when we are online.

Obviously, there was no internet in Jesus' day, so what would He think of the myriad of digital platforms we have available to us? It may be tempting to brand it all as sinful and unbiblical, but it's not that simple! Communicating online can be redeemed in a godly way and even be used to advance the gospel kingdom forward. ***As we interact with digital platforms, we need to discern if that platform is something to be received, rejected, or redeemed.*** The answer to that question will vary from person to person, but it's important to ask ourselves and make that discernment.

As we see in Paul's exhortation, he is willing to adapt himself to share the gospel with people from all sorts of diverse backgrounds and contexts. ***A model missionary strategically accommodates people in various contexts by laying down certain freedoms in order to evangelize more fruitfully.*** When we post online, we need to be mindful of this! The way we interact online tells a story of how Jesus has influenced us. We have an opportunity to bring glory to Him in how we post, comment, and consume online material.

### **Reflect Together**

1. How have you experienced the redemption of online platforms? Consider social media, online sermons, blogs, podcasts, etc.
2. Is there a digital space you should prayerfully consider if God would have you receive, reject, or redeem? Is there a platform you should let go of, or one you should embrace more?
3. Interacting in the digital world is an evangelism opportunity. How would you like to grow in evangelism? Is there a particular person you could pursue more in your everyday life?

## **Mission Together**

As we approach the summer, we are encouraging all MCs to make it the summer of hospitality. This means making your group time more outward facing to non-believers.

This whole sermon series is about evangelism. Prayerfully consider who is **one person** in your life that you could pursue in relationship? Go through this exercise together:

1. Pray about who God wants you to pursue and how you can obey that call.
2. Work together as a group to come up with social ways to get yourselves and not-yet-believers together (game night, barbecue, play date at a park, party, etc.)
3. Make a plan! When and where will you host this, and what will the various responsibilities of the group members be?