

## TAKE HOME SHEET



**Series:** Jesus Went  
**Message:** Jesus Still Reaches Out to People Like You and Me  
**Speaker:** Rusty Coram  
**Date:** April 20/21, 2019

Followers of Jesus have a faith that is rooted in historical accuracy. God deliberately orchestrated the events of Jesus' life, death and resurrection, so that anyone could investigate and determine for themselves if the claims are reasonable to believe. Those of us who have accepted Jesus as our Savior and Leader, can have good confidence in encouraging our family, friends and neighbors to check out the facts without any fear or concern.

Jesus voluntarily gave up His life so that we could be saved from the consequences of our sin. He was clear that He came to offer us truth and grace. The empty tomb proves that He should be listened to! The following passages reinforce what we studied in the message this weekend:

<sup>21</sup> Later Jesus said to them again, "I am going away. You will search for me but will die in your sin. You cannot come where I am going."<sup>22</sup> The people asked, "Is he planning to commit suicide? What does he mean, 'You cannot come where I am going'?"<sup>23</sup> Jesus continued, "You are from below; I am from above. You belong to this world; I do not."<sup>24</sup> That is why I said that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I AM who I claim to be, you will die in your sins."<sup>25</sup> "Who are you?" they demanded. Jesus replied, "The one I have always claimed to be."<sup>26</sup> I have much to say about you and much to condemn, but I won't. For I say only what I have heard from the one who sent me, and he is completely truthful."<sup>27</sup> But they still didn't understand that he was talking about his Father.

<sup>28</sup> So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man on the cross, then you will understand that I AM he. I do nothing on my own but say only what the Father taught me."<sup>29</sup> And the one who sent me is with me—he has not deserted me. For I always do what pleases him."<sup>30</sup> **Then many who heard him say these things believed in him.** [bold added]

John 8:21-30 (NLT)

<sup>23</sup> Jesus replied, "Now the time has come for the Son of Man to enter into his glory."<sup>24</sup> I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat is planted in the soil and dies, it remains alone. But its death will produce many new kernels—a plentiful harvest of new lives."<sup>25</sup> Those who love their life in this world will lose it. Those who care nothing for their life in this world will keep it for eternity."<sup>26</sup> Anyone who wants to be my disciple must follow me, because my servants must be where I am. And the Father will honor anyone who serves me."<sup>27</sup> "Now my soul is deeply troubled. Should I pray, 'Father, save me from this hour'? But this is the very reason I came!<sup>28</sup> Father, bring glory to your name..."<sup>32</sup> And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."<sup>33</sup> **He said this to indicate how he was going to die.** [bold added]

John 12:23-33 (NLT)

<sup>23</sup> Jesus replied, "All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them."<sup>24</sup> Anyone who doesn't love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me."<sup>25</sup> I am telling you these things now while I am still with you."<sup>26</sup> But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you."<sup>27</sup> "I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid."<sup>28</sup> **Remember what I told you: I am going away, but I will come back to you again.** [bold print added] If you really loved me, you would be happy that I am going to the Father, who is greater than I am."<sup>29</sup> I have told you these things before they happen so that when they do happen, you will believe."<sup>30</sup> "I don't have much more time to talk to you, because the ruler of this world approaches. He has no power over me,<sup>31</sup> but I will do what the Father requires of me, so that the world will know that I love the Father. Come, let's be going.

John 14:23-31 (NLT)

## MESSAGE NOTES



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There are many images associated with Easter. Here are two that sum up what it is all about:

The first is 0.

**This is how many bodies were found in the grave. Jesus resurrection and the empty tomb prove He is God.**

*<sup>6</sup> He isn't here! He is risen from the dead! Remember what he told you back in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be betrayed into the hands of sinful men and be crucified, and that he would rise again on the third day." <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered that he had said this. <sup>9</sup> So they rushed back from the tomb to tell his eleven disciples—and everyone else—what had happened. <sup>10</sup> It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and several other women who told the apostles what had happened. <sup>11</sup> But the story sounded like nonsense to the men, so they didn't believe it. <sup>12</sup> However, Peter jumped up and ran to the tomb to look. Stooping, he peered in and saw the empty linen wrappings; then he went home again, wondering what had happened.*

Luke 24:6-12 (NLT)

*<sup>3</sup> I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. <sup>4</sup> He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said. <sup>5</sup> He was seen by Peter and then by the Twelve. <sup>6</sup> After that, he was seen by more than 500 of his followers at one time...*

1 Corinthians 15:3-6 (NLT)

*And if Christ has not been raised, then all our preaching is useless, and your faith is useless.*

1 Corinthians 15:14 (NLT)

The second is †.

**When we see the cross, it reminds us of the intersection of both Truth and Grace.**

*The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

John 1:14 (NIV)

**The truth is that we are all guilty and deserve to be banished from God's presence.**

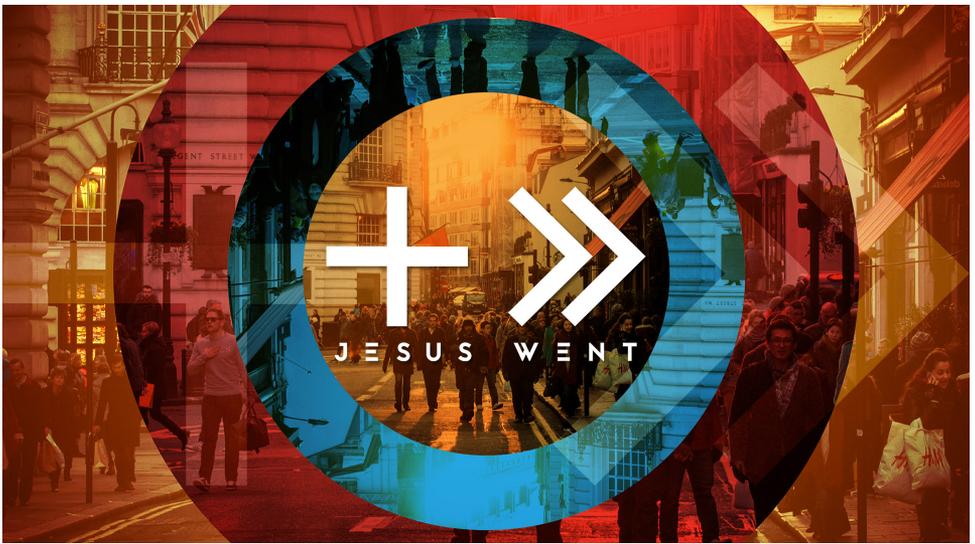
*As the Scriptures say, "No one is righteous— not even one."*

Romans 3:10 (NLT)

**His grace offers us forgiveness and adoption into His family through Jesus sacrifice.**

*<sup>6</sup> When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. <sup>7</sup> Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. <sup>8</sup> But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.*

Romans 5:6-8 (NLT)



When we look at the events surrounding Jesus, one thing is very clear... God genuinely cares about all people. That means everybody, not just the 'good' ones. Jesus was sent to earth with a very specific plan of action: to seek and save the lost. In this series, we'll see how Jesus persisted, seeking out and relating to people in a wide array of life-circumstances and offering something they desperately need. As we go, we'll also discover how He sees us and how He wants us to see others. ***This week: Jesus Still Reaches Out to People Like You and Me.***

**FIRST TIME GUESTS** We promise we're not going to make you stand up in front of everyone or track you down, but we'd love to know you were here today! Simply fill out your communication card in the seat back in front of you and check the "First Time Guest" box. On your way out, stop by Guest Services at the front doors and get your FREE welcome gift. **We're glad you are here!**

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YOU JOINED  
US TODAY!**

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We're honored when people choose to do church with us. New Hope is for anyone who wants to seek God - from those exploring if God even exists, to devoted Christ-followers. Wherever you are, you'll find we are committed to showing the love of Jesus and helping people establish a relationship with Him. We are casual, laid-back, and far from perfect. **ALL are welcome!**

Your broken bicycle can help break the cycle of poverty. New Hope Church, in partnership with Nica Bikes, is collecting bikes in any condition. The bikes are shipped to Nicaragua where young Nicaraguans are trained in repairing and selling the bikes, as well as the fundamentals of running a small business. The bike shop profits also help fund an orphanage and a thriving church in the community.

## BIKE DRIVE

April 27  
10 am - 9 pm

April 28  
8 am - 1 pm



TELL YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

# TAKEOVER

Do you know we have a special service just for our Middle and High School Students (6th — 12th grade)? Teens are pulled in every direction from which high school to attend, to what activities to be involved in, to what friends to hang out with, and on and on it goes. Figuring out who you are and making decisions that could potentially be life-altering is hard and Takeover is a safe place to help figure all of that out. Join us Sunday nights at 6 pm (doors open at 5:30). You can find out more online at [nhctakeover.com](http://nhctakeover.com)



CELEBRATE RECOVERY



Life can be tough, but you don't have to go through it alone. We want to remind you of two ministries that can help you navigate the tough times. For those 18 years old and older, we have Celebrate Recovery (CR). CR meets Friday nights at 7 pm. You can reach CR at [celebraterecovery@newhope.org](mailto:celebraterecovery@newhope.org). For students in middle and high school, we have The Landing. The Landing meets every Tuesday night at 7 pm. You can find more information about The Landing at [info@thingscansuck.com](mailto:info@thingscansuck.com).

# MISSION MUFFINS

Mission Muffins, part of Central Union Mission's Ready2Cook program, will be here next **Sunday**. When you purchase their delicious baked goods, you are helping equip a homeless or unemployed individual return to society. You can also pre-order from their website for Saturday or Sunday delivery to New Hope at [missionmuffins.org](http://missionmuffins.org). Please order by Friday, 4/26 at 5 pm.

**Who knew doing good could taste so good?**



World Vision reaches one new person with clean water every 10 seconds.

Let's help our friends at Antioch Baptist Church change lives with their World Vision 6K!

Saturday, April 27th at 8 am  
Burke Lake Park • 7315 Ox Road

**THIS SPRING, CHANGE A LIFE.** Help advocates across the globe in this mission to bring life-changing clean water and fullness of life to children in communities around the world.

Walk, run, or push a stroller with our friends at Antioch Baptist and their World Vision Global 6K on April 27th. Each registration brings lasting clean water to a child, like the child on your race bib!

Register today at [teamworldvision.org/team/antioch](http://teamworldvision.org/team/antioch).

# We ♥ Our Volunteers

We love our volunteers and enjoy giving them a special shout out. This week, we'd like to recognize **Josh Pruitt**. Josh serves on our Hospitality Team and has only been serving since our Fall Ministry Fair. He humbly came on the team with a selfless attitude to serve others! He frequently fills vacancy requests and has even served solo with effortless ease!

**We are so grateful to have you as part of our New Hope Volunteer Team, Josh!** We appreciate you! If you are ready to make that move to serve others, send an email to [carolann.gregoire@newhope.org](mailto:carolann.gregoire@newhope.org).



Join New Hope Church for another exciting group outing with the Potomac Nationals at Northwest Federal Field at Pfitzner Stadium. This fundraiser raises money for New Hope's work with Feed My Starving Children with each ticket sold! There are two ticket options – one that is just a ticket and another that is a ticket plus food voucher combo. The food voucher comes with your choice of a burger or hot dog, chips, and a soda. Children 5 and under attend the game free of charge (food not included). **To purchase your tickets, go online to [bit.ly/hitsforhunger2019](http://bit.ly/hitsforhunger2019) | Password is hope2019.**

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