

TAKE HOME SHEET



Series: Jesus Went
Message: Jesus Went to the Ethically Challenged
Speaker: Rusty Coram
Date: April 6/7, 2019

As follow up to this week's message, let's read about another encounter Jesus had that shows His heart. As you read, here are a few things to watch for:

What kind of reputation did this woman have in the community? How was she seen/treated?

Why did Jesus let her express appreciation to Him publicly?

In the parable of the two who were forgiven their debt, Jesus is making it clear that recognizing the weight of our sin is essential to a close friendship with God. How much do you think Simon thought about his own sin?

How do you think this woman felt when the conversation started about her? How about afterwards?

Finally, do you recognize how much you need Jesus' forgiveness? Does your love for Him reflect deep appreciation?

³⁶ One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to have dinner with him, so Jesus went to his home and sat down to eat. ³⁷ When a certain immoral woman from that city heard he was eating there, she brought a beautiful alabaster jar filled with expensive perfume. ³⁸ Then she knelt behind him at his feet, weeping. Her tears fell on his feet, and she wiped them off with her hair. Then she kept kissing his feet and putting perfume on them. ³⁹ When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman is touching him. She's a sinner!" ⁴⁰ Then Jesus answered his thoughts. "Simon," he said to the Pharisee, "I have something to say to you." "Go ahead, Teacher," Simon replied. ⁴¹ Then Jesus told him this story: "A man loaned money to two people—500 pieces of silver to one and 50 pieces to the other. ⁴² But neither of them could repay him, so he kindly forgave them both, canceling their debts. Who do you suppose loved him more after that?" ⁴³ Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the larger debt." "That's right," Jesus said. ⁴⁴ Then he turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Look at this woman kneeling here. When I entered your home, you didn't offer me water to wash the dust from my feet, but she has washed them with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵ You didn't greet me with a kiss, but from the time I first came in, she has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶ You neglected the courtesy of olive oil to anoint my head, but she has anointed my feet with rare perfume. ⁴⁷ I tell you, her sins—and they are many—have been forgiven, so she has shown me much love. But a person who is forgiven little shows only little love." ⁴⁸ Then Jesus said to the woman, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹ The men at the table said among themselves, "Who is this man, that he goes around forgiving sins?" ⁵⁰ And Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

Luke 7:36-50 (NLT)

MESSAGE NOTES



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ethics (Oxford Dictionary): moral principles that govern a person's behavior

⁹ As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. ¹⁰ While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?" ¹² On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. ¹³ But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Matthew 9:9-13 (NIV)

Lessons for us on how Jesus treated people

Jesus didn't just talk about people...He deeply cares about them.

Jesus' concern leads Him to risk His own social standing. (See the Take Home Sheet for more on this.)

Watching how Jesus accepted Matthew and his friends, shows there is hope for everyone.

How I respond to Jesus' call is what matters.

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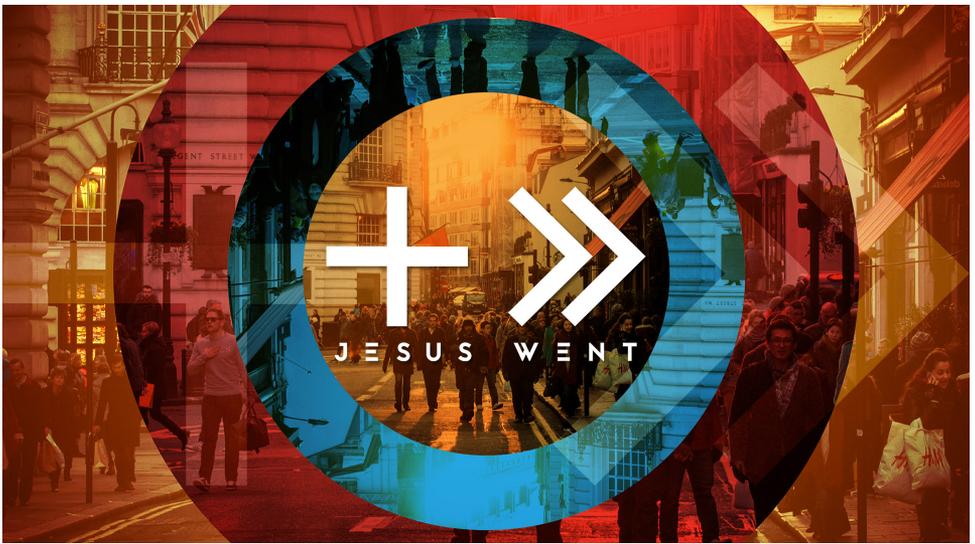
Matthew 9:12-13 (NLT)

Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God.

Matthew 3:8 (NLT)

³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ He said to his disciples, "The harvest is great, but the workers are few. ³⁸ So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields."

Matthew 9:36-38 (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 Went to the Ethically Challenged.***

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!**

**WE'RE
SO GLAD
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!**



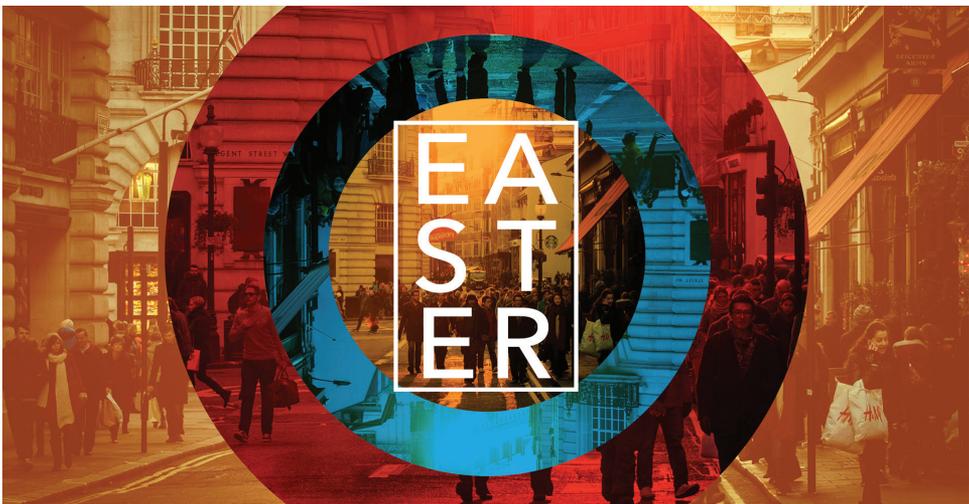
World Vision
reaches one new
person with clean
water every
10 seconds.

**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.



**Saturday, April 20th at 5:30 and 7:30*
Sunday, April 21st at 9 and 11.**

**Stay tuned for information about our 24-hour Good Friday event,
beginning Thursday, April 18th at 7 pm.**

***No children's program at the 7:30 service**



Bryant Easter Baskets - Side by Side

Wednesday, April 10th at 7 pm

Ladies - join us for a Springtime Side by Side project! That means your kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews, age five and above, are welcome to come with you to do this project.

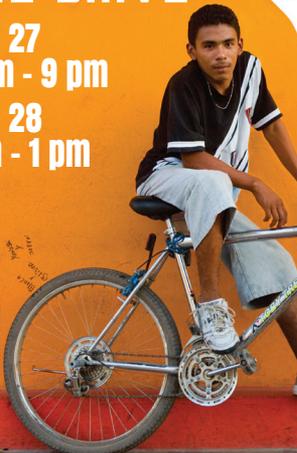
We will create Easter baskets for the children of teen parents at the Bryant Center, a local alternative high school.

Please let us know you're coming. We'll have a prize for all the kids who participate! You can sign up today at one of the kiosks in the atrium or online at bit.ly/hereasterbasket.

BIKE DRIVE

April 27
10 am - 9 pm

April 28
8 am - 1 pm



TELL YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

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.

We Our Volunteers

We love our volunteers and enjoy giving them a special shout out. This week, we'd like to recognize **Sonya Cantu**. Sonya serves on TWO teams! She serves often as a Medical volunteer and also on our Greeter/Usher Team. **Thank you, Sonya**, for your selfless service and jumping in whenever there is a vacancy. We so appreciate you!! We do currently have open positions that NEED to be filled on our Medical Team. If you have a medical background and are looking for a place to serve, please send an email to carolann.gregoire@newhope.org.

Summer CAMP

TAKEOVER STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN 6TH - 12TH GRADE

We're going to Watermarks Camp in Scottsville, Va. The cost is \$340, and includes transportation, lodging, meals, t-shirt, and a week full of fun, meaningful activities. We'll learn how to love one another through lessons from the book of Philippians. You can register before May 29th at bit.ly/tocamp2019 with a \$50 deposit. The final balance is due June 2nd. To find out more about the camp and all the fun activities planned, pick up a brochure at Guest services, the Spot, or at Takeover. Questions? Contact Megan.Sullivan@Newhope.org (Middle School) or Leah.Statham@Newhope.org (High School).

JUNE 23RD THROUGH JUNE 28TH
REGISTER ONLINE AT [BIT.LY/TOCAMP2019](https://bit.ly/tocamp2019)

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