

TAKE HOME SHEET

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TO DO THIS!**

Message: We Get to Do This!
Speaker: Rusty Coram
Date: January 16, 2022

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2 Corinthians 5:17–21 (NLT)

ambassador (def): an authorized representative or messenger (Merriam Webster)

As a representative of Jesus, how am I doing? Do the people around me get an accurate picture of Jesus as they interact with me and watch how I speak and act?

What are some things I have changed in the past to better represent Him to others?

What are some things that God would want me to adjust or change in my life now to better represent Him?

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. ²⁴ Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.

Psalm 139:23–24 (NLT)

Am I willing to make these changes, so I can be better used by God to help others find Him?

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation

MESSAGE NOTES

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Jesus made it crystal clear why He came to earth.

¹⁶ But when the teachers of religious law who were Pharisees saw him eating with tax collectors and other sinners, they asked his disciples, “Why does he eat with such scum?”

¹⁷ When Jesus heard this, he told them, “Healthy people don’t need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners.”

Mark 2:16-17 (NLT)

Those of us that follow Him have the same mission.

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God has given us the responsibility and privilege of helping others discover the new life we have.

¹⁹ Even though I am a free man with no master, I have become a slave to all people to bring many to Christ. ²² Yes, I try to find common ground with everyone, doing everything I can to save some. ²³ I do everything to spread the Good News and share in its blessings.

1 Corinthians 9:19, 22b–23 (NLT)

*“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