Isay to You: Hearing the Voice of GOOL

WEEKFOUR



I SAY TO YOU; WEEK FOUR

Pastor Chap preached from Mark 3:14, giving us an insight on the importance of being sent! The Word is not to hold onto just for ourselves but rather a beautiful thing that must be carried, and lived out in each of our lives as followers of Christ. In your groups, take some time to think about the statement Jesus makes, "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

We are God's letter from Christ to the world he so deeply loves (2 Corinthians 3:3)

- Do you feel as if you are sent by God to a world he loves?
- Read John 17:15-21 (See below)
- In light of being sent, what implications does this passage have?
- What insight does this prayer of Jesus give you?



15 My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one.
16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of it.
17 Sanctify them by[a] the truth; your word is truth. 18 As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. 19 For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

Jesus Prays for All Believers
20 "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their

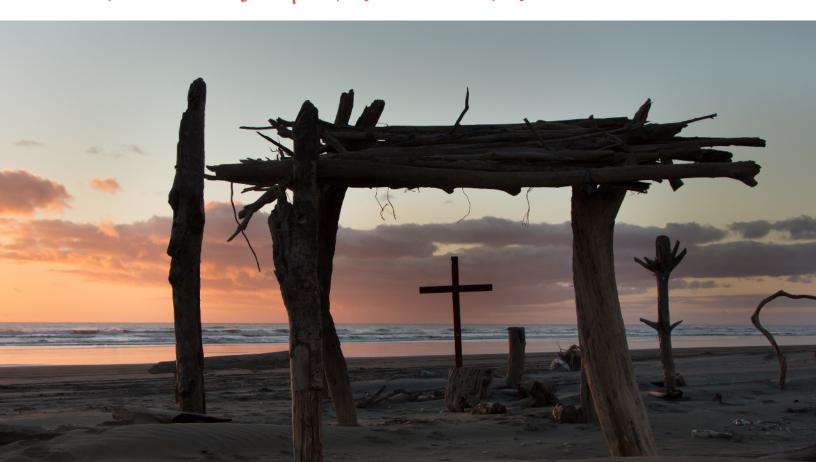
message, 21 that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.



DISCUSS WITH YOUR GROUP

- We are sent people
 - How is God sending you -
 - Be specific -
 - To whom is he sending you?
 - To where is he sending you?
 - To what is he sending you?
 - In being sent, it does not have to be extravagant, as being sent to a unreached people group overseas (but it totally can be! If it is, God bless you!) But it can be as simple and as beautiful as being sent to a coworker down the hall who is having a bad day and may need a word of an encouragement or a cup of coffee on you!
- How are we aware that we are the vessels in which God sometimes chooses to speak to others?

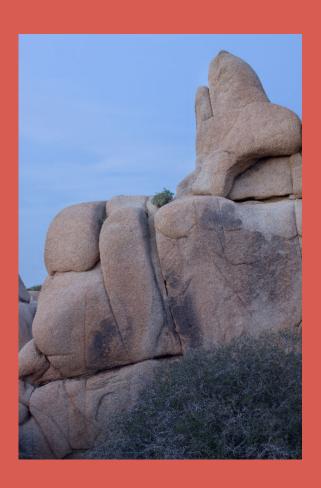
24 After he was weaned, she took the boy with her, young as he was, along with a three-year-old bull, [e] an ephan[f] of flour and a skin of vine, and brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh. 25 When the bull had been sacrificed, they brought the boy to Eli, 26 and she said to him, "Pardon me, my lord. As surely as you live. I am the woman who stood here beside you praying to the Lord. 27 I prayed for this child, and the Lord has granted me what I asked of him. 28 so now I give him to the Lord. For his whole life he will be given over to the Lord." And he worshiped the Lord there.



FINAL THOUGHTS

Take a final few minutes to apply this passage to your lives:

- How can you apply this passage and sermon to your life in relation to giving?
- How might God be inviting you to reconsider how you give?
- What does/would extravagant giving look like in your life?



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