

BEING LIGHT AND HEAT

1 Corinthians 9.19-27

THE ENDURANCE TO FINISH THE RACE

Because he realized what he had been given, Paul felt an obligation to everyone, even Greeks and barbarians. However, he warns of looming idolatry that can draw us in as we enter into a world outside of Christ. We also know that we will risk the judgment of even other believers or those from within our own camp.

Romans 1.14, 15 // Luke 7.31-35

SPEAKING FROM WITHIN

Romans 8.3

God's judgment upon sin was not just technical, clerical, or merely judicial. It was deeply personal. God entered into our world and experience the treachery of sin Himself. He was personally affected by and touched by sin in a very real, tangible, and painful way. He experienced the frailty of humanity, even temptation.

He had empathy, because He dealt with our humanity from within, alongside us, not from a cold distance.

Real preaching must have both heat and light.
-Martyn Lloyd Jones

If our speech is only light, we will bring truth, but no warmth, empathy, or compassion. If it is only heat, we will bring sentimentality and trite, temporary comfort, but no truth that can change that life. We must have both heat and light. We must speak the truth (light), but speak it in love (heat).

**People don't care how much you know
Until they know how much you care.**

EXPAND YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Jesus entered into the world around us, making God Himself more easily able to dialogue with us from a place of understanding and empathy. He could have pronounced judgment upon the flesh from afar, but by becoming flesh, He encountered, in a real way, the treachery of a fallen world. He was then able to relate with us and to us in a way that we would connect to and understand.

When we enter into the world around us, we are more easily able to dialogue with others from a place of true understanding and empathy. We could pronounce judgment upon the world from afar, but by becoming all things to all men, we encounter, in a real way, the treachery of their fallen world. We are then able to relate with others and they to us in a way that they could connect and understand the Gospel.

NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before your group starts, is there anyone who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **1 Corinthians 9.19-27**. What stands out to you in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

How does “becoming all things” actually help your ability to effectively share the Gospel in a meaningful way? What difference does it make as it pertains to being able to connect the Gospel to them?

Is there an example you can give of a time that you being able to enter into their world, you were able to more effectively share the Gospel in a way that may not have worked had you not? Share that example with the group.

Once again this week we will skip straight to the last question that is in every week’s CGHW. Always make it a point to spend a few minutes on this final question, especially before closing in prayer, and make it a point to pray for these relationships and opportunities.

Your Life Mission

A couple weeks ago we asked about opportunities to “become all things” to folks in your life. What ways have you, or are have decided you are going to, made the effort to enter into their lives?

What conversations or social settings with non-believers are coming up that you could use prayer for? How can your group be praying for the people in your life that you love and care for?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God’s sovereignty and plan for your life.



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MAKING DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY,
WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.



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