



BURLINGTON SANTA FE CHURCH OF CHRIST

A SIX-WEEK JOURNEY IN EVERYDAY EVANGELISM

Be Present

People are not projects

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BE LOVE. BE LIGHT. BELONG.

If we want people to come to our things, we must first learn to show up for theirs.

Deep roots are meant to bear visible fruit.

“As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith.” — Colossians 2:6–7

Evangelism can feel intimidating because we imagine a perfect speech, a difficult debate, or a stranger’s door. But sharing Jesus usually begins much closer to home: a name, a prayer, a conversation, a story, an invitation.

This guide will help you take **one faithful step each week**. Scripture calls us to be doers, not hearers only (James 1:22–25). The goal is not to pressure someone into a decision or to make you feel guilty. Our part is to love, speak truth, and make room for a response. God gives the growth (1 Corinthians 3:5–7).

The six-week pathway

- 1 **Pray:** Choose three people and bring their names before God daily.
- 2 **Invest:** Reach out because the person matters, not merely as a project.
- 3 **Ask:** Open a spiritual conversation and listen with genuine curiosity.
- 4 **Tell:** Share your three-minute story with Jesus at the center.
- 5 **Explain:** Practice giving a clear, biblical account of the good news.
- 6 **Invite:** Offer one fitting next step, then trust God with the outcome.

Your commitment: I will pray, pay attention, and take the next faithful step God places in front of me.

Name

Date

Week 1 - A Few Names

SERMON NOTES

The Context

- Before we speak to people about _____, we speak to God about _____
- Jesus saw people, not _____
- Love get's real when it learns a _____
- Rooted people _____ for people because Jesus _____ for us

The Content

V. 35 - Jesus _____

- We shouldn't wait for people to come to our things before we have shown up to theirs.
- Jesus taught, proclaimed, & _____.
- He demonstrates that _____ & mercy go together.

V. 37 - Jesus _____

- He shares the need, and that need is still present today.
- The field belongs to God, and the harvest is larger than there are _____ ready to enter it.

V. 36 - Jesus _____

- He looks beneath the _____ and just sees people in need.
- He felt compassion in His _____.
- Let's not decide who should or will receive Jesus and His teaching.

V. 38 - Jesus _____

- Prayer is not _____ the work. It is _____ us for the work.
- Prayer is _____. The same people He asks to pray in chapter 9, he sends out into the field in chapter 10.

The Connection

1. The way we _____ people determines how we approach them.
2. _____ grows when we slow down long enough to see.
3. Before Jesus tells the disciples to _____, He tells them to pray.

The Challenge

Write three names in your member guide before you leave. Choose three real people who do not know Jesus or who are far from Him.

Pray over each name every day this week - "Lord, help me see them as You do. Open a door. Give me courage and love."

Choose Your Three

1. Name

What might they be carrying?

2. Name

What might they be carrying?

3. Name

What might they be carrying?

Discuss & Go Deeper at Home

1. What do Jesus' actions in Matthew 9:35-36 reveal about the way He sees people?
2. Why does Jesus tell the disciples to pray before He sends them?
3. How do we join together truth and mercy just as Jesus does?

Pray Daily

Use this simple pattern. You do not need impressive words. Say their names and ask God to help you see what love requires.

For them

- ☐ Let them see the truth and healing from Jesus
- ☐ Open their hearts to be receptive to the Word of God
- ☐ Help them see the benefit of the community of Christ

For me

- ☐ Give me compassion without judgment.
- ☐ Open a natural door for conversation.
- ☐ Give me courage, wisdom, and clear words.

A Prayer for Every Day this Week

- ☐ **Sunday:** God, help me truly see them.
- ☐ **Monday:** God, bless the needs they have not told me about.
- ☐ **Tuesday:** God, soften their heart toward Your truth.
- ☐ **Wednesday:** God, show me one way to serve.
- ☐ **Thursday:** God, open a door for an honest conversation.
- ☐ **Friday:** God, make my life consistent with my words.
- ☐ **Saturday:** God, help me trust You with the outcome.

Notice without forcing

What did I notice about one person this week?

What may be the next loving step?

Week 2 - Be Present

SERMON NOTES

The Context

- There are three paths we can take: _____, _____, or _____
- Silence** isn't love — it's just fear with good _____
- Pressure** — people are not _____
- Presence** — the right path moves from _____ to _____

The Content

Luke 19:1-4 – People Are Seeking Jesus

- Zacchaeus was seeking Jesus — and Jesus was seeking _____
- Jesus didn't see a project or a problem; He saw a _____
- Are we showing Jesus to people by how we _____ in their lives?

Luke 19:8-9 – Presence Produces What Pressure Can't

- Changed lives lead to _____ lives
- People don't care how much we know until they know how much we _____
- Are we _____ in the lives of others?

Luke 19:5-7 – The Savior Stops

- "MUST" here is the word _____ — also used in 2:49, 4:43, & 9:22
- Jesus allowed His urgency to be _____ to save a soul
- Are we slowing down and allowing soul-saving _____ in our life too?

Luke 19:10-27 – The Mission & the Minas

- "The Son of Man came to seek and to save the _____"
- Zacchaeus is the faithful _____
- Are we being good stewards, servants, and _____ of what Jesus left for us?

The Connection

- Invest your _____ — don't admire the mina, put it to work.
- Invest in their _____ — go to their things before expecting them at ours.
- Invest without _____ — we cannot hide, bury, or change the truth.

The Challenge

Choose one of your three names. This week, contact them for a normal, caring reason - coffee, a meal, a walk, or practical help. Listen more than you talk.

Do not force a church invitation this week. This week is about presence, not pressure.

Choose Your One

My one person

One of my three names

One natural contact

Coffee, meal, walk, help, call...

When

Day and time I will do it

Discuss & Go Deeper at Home

- Why does Jesus' "must" (*dei*) change the way we see interruptions?
- Who invested in your life to lead you here today?
- How are you investing in the lives of others?

Pray Daily

Use this simple pattern. You do not need impressive words. Say their names and ask God to help you see what love requires.

For them

- ☐ Let them feel seen, known, and pursued — not labeled or avoided
- ☐ Show them Jesus through my presence and time this week
- ☐ Open their hearts to the Savior who stops for them

For me

- ☐ Slow me down to notice the people You've put in my path.
- ☐ Make me interruptible for soul-saving moments.
- ☐ Help me invest without pressuring — presence, not projects.

A Prayer for Every Day this Week

Keep praying your three names every day - and this week, invest in one.

- ☐ **Sunday:** God, thank You for coming near to me. Make me a present person like Jesus.
- ☐ **Monday:** God, bring my one person to mind today. Show me an ordinary moment to show up.
- ☐ **Tuesday:** God, give me curiosity - help me ask, listen, and remember.
- ☐ **Wednesday:** God, strip every hidden agenda from my love. Let me care without a price tag.
- ☐ **Thursday:** God, open a natural door - coffee, a meal, a walk, a helping hand.
- ☐ **Friday:** God, keep me consistent. One small step at a time.
- ☐ **Saturday:** God, do what only You can do in their heart. I will show up; You save.

Notice without pressuring

What do I notice this week about the people on my list?

What may be the next loving step?

KEEP MOVING TOWARD JESUS

Ready to give your life to Christ

Whether you're thinking about obeying Jesus or interested in learning more, we encourage you to take the next faithful step.

If today stirred a question, a burden, or a desire to obey Jesus, you do not have to take the next step alone. We are a family of faith seeking to glorify God in Branford, Florida and beyond.

Study Scripture

Ask to sit down with a Christian and open the Bible. Bring your questions. We will seek God's answer in His Word.

Receive prayer

Share a burden with us. We would be honored to pray with you privately or with the church.

Respond to Jesus

If you are ready to confess Jesus, turn from sin, and be baptized into Christ, let us help you obey the gospel.

Belong and serve

Join our church family. Worship, learn, serve, give generously, and help someone else take a faithful step.

Sunday Bible Class · 10:00 AM

Sunday Worship · 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Class · 7:00 PM

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CONNECT WITH US

How can we walk with you?

Tell us only what you are comfortable sharing. A member of our church family can follow up, answer questions, pray with you, or help you begin a Bible study.

Name**Phone**

Email

Who are you worshipping with today?

How many times have you visited?

I would like to...☐ Request prayer☐ Meet with a minister or elder☐ Study the Bible☐ Learn how to serve☐ Learn about baptism☐ Learn more about this church**Prayer request, question, or message**

Best way and time to contact me

“We are members one of another.” — Romans 12:5

Return this card to a member, minister, or elder.

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