



# Joining Jesus on His Mission

*Video Training Curriculum*

## **Video 7: "Talking with People & Doing Good"** Ephesians 2:8-10 | Book chapters 14-15

**Before the Video:** Each person take a moment to share with the group the insights and experiences you have had over the last several days as you sought to join Jesus on his mission in your everyday life. If you were able to interact with neighbors from any of your various neighborhoods, tell your story to the group. You can use the 5 Questions to help you get started.

- How did you see God at work this week?
- What has Jesus been teaching you in his Word?
- What kind of conversations are you having, especially with those who are not yet Christians?
- What good can we do around here?
- How can we help you in prayer?

Last week we each decided to open a Gospel and start following Jesus around in it. What did you see? What did you hear? What do you think Jesus was asking you to believe or do?

### **Processing Our Insights:**

1) The Finke's again introduced the 5 Mission Practices. See if your group can list them below.

- \_\_\_\_\_ the Kingdom
- \_\_\_\_\_ from Jesus
- \_\_\_\_\_ with people
- \_\_\_\_\_ good
- \_\_\_\_\_ through prayer

2) The first half of today's session focuses on the Mission Practice of Talking with People. What stood out for you as you watched the video?

- 3) In our culture, ignoring most of the people that are regularly within our proximity is called *normal*. We look right past them. But what if we began to change that? Greg points out that Jesus can do more with two people who are beginning to talk with each other than he can with two people successfully ignoring each other.
  - This makes sense. But what if someone is more introverted like Susan? What is the good news for introverts who take up the Mission Practice of Talking with People?
  - Why is noticing and talking with the people who are regularly around us an especially important mission practice?
- 4) The video then unpacks the Mission Practice of Doing Good. What was something that stood out for you?
- 5) What makes sense about us looking for the good God has prepared in advance for us to do?
- 6) How is the good we do for others like seed?
- 7) What struck you about the story of Ben and his autistic classmate?
- 8) In the coming week, let's take a small but intentional step toward joining Jesus on his mission. Here is your challenge: Who do you know that could use a seed of God's goodness planted in their life? They may not deserve it, but they need it. What's their name and what will you do within the next few days?

### **Before We Go**

Note: You may want to break into groups of three.

**"A-Ha!" Insights to Action:** What was the most significant insight you had as a result of today's video and discussion? Take **3 minutes** to write down your insight and what you think Jesus might be giving you to believe and/or do as a result. This is your self-identified assignment for joining Jesus in the coming days. In addition, will you take up the challenge of Question 8?

Have each person take **60 seconds** to share their self-identified assignment with the group.

In the coming days *watch for opportunities Jesus will give you* to put your self-identified assignments into play. The next time your group meets be ready to tell the stories of what happened (whether little or large).

- Also, give the group a brief update on how your planning and inviting is going for hanging out with a neighbor(s).

**Ministering through Prayer:** As we prepare to head out on our mission adventure with Jesus, have each person ask the next person, **"How can I help you in prayer?"** After everyone has had a turn to answer, each person then prays for their neighbor. Write the prayer request in the space below so you won't forget.