**The Red Letters of Luke**

**Part 6: “Three Reasons Why I'm Thankful”**

**Luke 5:27-28** - **27**Later, as Jesus left the town, he saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at his tax collector’s booth. “Follow me and be my disciple,” Jesus said to him. **28**So Levi got up, left everything, and followed him.

**1. I'm Thankful Jesus Sees – vs. 27**

**A. He does not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Luke 12:6-7** - “God never overlooks a single sparrow. And he pays even greater attention to you, down to the last detail – even numbering the hairs on your head!” (MSG)

* *There is never a moment, never a second in your life, that God is not paying attention to you.*

**B. He does not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Proverbs 15:3** - The Lord is watching everywhere, keeping his eye on both the evil and the good.

* *I’m thankful Jesus sees me for who He created me to be and not whom I choose to be in the moment!*

**2. I'm Thankful Jesus Speaks – vs. 27**

**A. He speaks \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**1 Corinthians 11:1** - And you should imitate me, just as I imitate Christ.

* *Does your life look like Jesus’s life?*

**B. He speaks \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**2 Corinthians 5:17 -** This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

* *If you claim to have a life changing faith then your life better be different or you are just kidding yourself!*

**i. Disciple means be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**John 4:23-24** – But the time is coming—indeed it’s here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way. **24**For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth.

* *Worshiping Jesus - gladly reflecting back to him the radiance of his worth - is the greatest act for any creature.*

**ii. Disciple means be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**John 13:14-15** – And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other’s feet. **15**I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you.

* *“We can’t help everyone, but everyone can help someone!” – R. Reagan*

**iii. Disciple means be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**John 20:21** – Again he said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you.” **Matthew 28:18-20**

* *“Our faith becomes stronger as we express it, a growing faith is a sharing faith.” – Billy Graham*

**3. I’m Thankful Jesus is All-Powerful – vs. 28**

**Matthew 28:18** – Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all power and authority in heaven and on earth.”

**A. Power to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* *Jesus has the power to pick you up when you are down!*

**Psalm 113:7** - He lifts the poor from the dust and the needy from the garbage dump.

**B. Power to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* *Jesus has the power to loose you from the things that hold you captive!*

**Luke 4:18** - The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon me, for the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed.

**C. Power for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* *Jesus has the power to keep you walking with Him!*

**Jude 1:24** – Now all glory to God, who is able to keep you from falling away and will bring you with great joy into his glorious presence without a single fault.