

❖ God doesn't change us to accept us. He accepts us so He can change us.

3. No shame in being _____ in the darkness.

"I didn't take on their way of life. I kept my bearings in Christ."

❖ "I don't have to be like them to reach them . . . but I do have to _____ them to reach them!"

4. No shame by getting _____ in their life.

"I entered their world and tried to experience things from their point of view. I've become just about every sort of servant there is in my attempts to lead those I meet into a God-saved life."

Matthew 9:35-37 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

❖ _____ ignites passion!

GOAL: Be intentional to build a relationship with at least three people in your sphere of influence so you can ultimately share Christ.

**All scriptures are from the NIV translation unless otherwise noted.*

UNBOUND

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

Part 1: no shame

Sunday, August 20, 2017

Romans 1:16-17 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. ¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

GOOD NEWS

❖ JESUS CAME

John 1:14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 3:16-17 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

❖ JESUS DIED

Matthew 20:28 Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Isaiah 53:3-6

❖ JESUS ROSE

Matthew 28:5-7 The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

Acts 1:3 After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.

❖ JESUS LIVES

John 14:6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Revelation 1:18 I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

❖ JESUS IS LORD

Philippians 2:9-11 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

ASHAMED

1. We believe the _____ of the enemy.

2. We _____ ourselves.

❖ The Bible records Jesus' interaction with 132 people in the Gospels. Six were in the temple. Four were in the synagogues. 122 were in the field of life!!!

3. We aren't _____.

❖ *"We don't have a hardened heart sinner problem; we have an uncommitted Christian problem."*
~ John Maxwell

❖ *"How much do you have to hate somebody to believe everlasting life is possible and not tell them?"*
~ Penn Jillette

4. We don't _____ what we have.

5. We're inexperienced and don't know how.

THE POWER OF ONE

CHALLENGE: Every believer at RFC commits to lead and disciple ONE person to Jesus Christ PER YEAR.

NO SHAME

1 Corinthians 9:19-23 MSG Even though I am free of the demands and expectations of everyone, I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all in order to reach a wide range of people: religious, nonreligious, meticulous moralists, loose-living immoralists, the defeated, the demoralized—whoever. I didn't take on their way of life. I kept my bearings in Christ—but I entered their world and tried to experience things from their point of view. I've become just about every sort of servant there is in my attempts to lead those I meet into a God-saved life. I did all this because of the Message. I didn't just want to talk about it; I wanted to be *in* on it!

1. No shame in loving and serving _____ people.

"I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all."

❖ Lead with our _____, not our words.

❖ *"I will not share my faith until I have added value to a person's life first."* ~ John Maxwell

❖ Our goal is not to _____ them. We love them. Jesus transforms them.

2. No shame in _____ everyone.

"In order to reach a wide range of people: religious, nonreligious, meticulous moralists, loose-living immoralists, the defeated, the demoralized—whoever."