

## DAY 3 - A Light in the Dark

Jesus had a heart for the lost and least, and he often found himself going against the grain because of it. He was ridiculed for his interactions with the lowly. Now that you have started recognizing the lost and least in your life, you can grow in compassion for them. As you pray for the outcasts around you, your heart will soften towards them and you will get a glimpse of why Jesus went after them so passionately.

It's important to know that in Jesus' interactions with the lost and least, he developed close relationships with them without engaging in their sinful behavior. He had to remain a light in a dark place. That's a big challenge, but it's important when reaching out.

**Read: Mark 2:13-17 and use the 5P method to discover how Jesus reached out to the lost and least.**

### PURPOSE

Why do you think the author wrote this? Why is it important enough to be in the Bible? In a sentence or two, write what you think the overall theme or topic is.

### PRIMARY VERSE

Which verse seems to contain the most important thought in the passage? Which one stands out most to you? Write out the verse completely and the corresponding reference.

### PROMISES

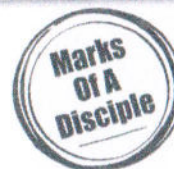
Make a list of any promises you find. Sometimes you need to infer promises from a passage. For example, John 3:16 does not come right out and promise you heaven. But it implies a promise: "if you believe, you will have eternal life."

### PROBLEMS

If you find anything you don't understand—even if it's just a word—write it down as a question. Then ask someone for the answer or look it up yourself. One way to know if you have any questions is to ask yourself, *Is there anything in this passage that I could not explain to a friend?*

### PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Think about what the passage means to you. What action should you take? What do you need to change or work on so that what you have read is real in your life? Be specific—your application should tell who, what, and when.



Disciples of Christ show **EVIDENCE** of faith through fruit of the Spirit. (Galatians 5:22-23)