



“A God Lived Life”

A Life Lived for Others: Be Present!

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Introduction: A “God Lived Life” is a whole-life challenge to live the life to which God has called us. We are challenged in specific ways to put into practice a closer walk with Jesus, and a life of love and service toward others. That’s a God lived life!

Today we are challenged to live a life of service to others.

Consider Paul’s words in Philippians 2:1.

“If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love”

Jot down some ways in Jesus offers you comfort and encouragement.

What is one great way to thank Jesus for all that he has done for you?

Pray the dangerous prayer – Lord, Use Me!

Ephesians 2:10 We are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Colossians 4:5 Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders, make the most of every opportunity.

What does it mean to be present in the lives of others?

Challenge:

- ✓ **Escape your comfort zone!**
- ✓ **Pray for strength to be present in the lives of others**
- ✓ **Look for opportunities to listen, to love, and to serve**
- ✓

CHALLENGE CARD

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What steps will I take to be present and live a life for others?

- Daily count my blessings
- Pray each morning, "Lord, Use Me!" and look for opportunities to serve others
- Send an encouraging card, email or text to a struggling person
- Make cookies for a neighbor and deliver them in person
- Participate in Giving Tree to help provide Christmas presents to needy families
- Pray regularly for people who are hurting
- Sign up for Time and Talent opportunities at Good Shepherd
- Offer a random act of kindness to someone
- Offer to help an elderly person with lawn care, groceries, odd jobs
- Serve on an Encouragement Ministry Team to encourage members to stay connected
- Sign up to serve as a greeter at church
- Be present in the lives of people; listening, loving, caring
- Talk to a friend about Jesus
- Other – List here

By God's grace, I commit to these goals,

Name _____ Date _____