



Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, ²¹quip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. **Hebrews 13:20-21**

#5 - EQUIPPED TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

(The Dreaded Evangelism Sermon - Part 1)

THE CROSSINGS IS COMMITTED TO EQUIPPING ME TO SHARE MY FAITH...

1. Because as a Christ follower, I should _____.

*Ultimately it does not matter whether we are here or gone; our purpose stays fixed, and that is to please Him. **2 Corinthians 5:9** (GNB)*

*Jesus said to the followers, "Go everywhere in the world. Tell the Good News to everyone. **Mark 16:15** (ICB)*

*In the same way that you gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world. **John 17:8** (MP)*

*Then you will tell everyone about me in Jerusalem, in all Judea, in Samaria, and everywhere in the world." **Acts 1:8** (CEV)*

- "Jerusalem" equates to the people within _____.
- "Judea" equates to the people within _____.
- "Samaria" equates to the people within in _____.
- "Ends of the earth" equates to those in _____.

*The most important thing is that I complete my mission, the work the Lord Jesus gave me - to tell people the Good News about God's grace. **Acts 20:24** (NCV)*

2. Because as a Christ follower, I should _____.

*The Son of Man came to find lost people and save them. **Luke 19:10** (NCV)*

*In the same way that you gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world. **John 17:8** (MP)*

*Students are not greater than their teacher. But the student who is fully trained will become like the teacher. **Luke 6:40** (NLT)*

3. Because as a Christ follower, I should _____.

This is real love--not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. 1 John 4:10 (NLT)

"This is how much God loved the world: He gave his Son, his one and only Son. And this is why: so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life. John 3:16 (MP)

"Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?"³⁷ Jesus replied, "'You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.'^[a]³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment.³⁹ A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' Luke 22:36-39 (NLT)

One day an expert in religious law stood up to test Jesus by asking Him this question: "Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?"²⁶ Jesus replied, "What does the law of Moses say? How do you read it?"²⁷ The man answered, "'You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.' And, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"²⁸ "Right!" Jesus told him. "Do this and you will live!" The man wanted to justify his actions, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"³⁰ Jesus replied with a story: "A Jewish man was traveling from Jerusalem down to Jericho, and he was attacked by bandits. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him up, and left him half dead beside the road.³¹ "By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by.³² A Temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side.³³ "Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him.³⁴ Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him.³⁵ The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, 'Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here.'³⁶ "Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?" Jesus asked.³⁷ The man replied, "The one who showed him mercy." Then Jesus said, "Yes, now go and do the same." Luke 10:25-37 (NLT)

If you love others, you will never do them wrong; to love, then, is to obey the whole Law. Romans 13:10 (GNB)

4. Because as a Christ-follower I am _____.

...For we must always cherish the words of our Lord Jesus, who taught, 'Giving brings a far greater blessing than receiving. Acts 20:35b (TPT)

I pray for you that the faith we share may effectively deepen your understanding of every good thing that belongs to you in Christ. Philemon 1:6 (TPT)