

# Carry this Message to Others

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## Review Last Week's Next Steps

- ☐ I will memorize James 1:2-4 and allow it to shape my perspective on trials and suffering.
- ☐ I will look through my problems to see where God is at work in them.
- ☐ I will allow God to shape my character through problems and pain.
- ☐ I will ask God for his comfort and care in the midst of trials.
- ☐ I will hold on, look for God, keep the faith, and not quit.

## THIS WEEK'S SERMON RECAP

We all have a story to share, and God wants to provide opportunity for each of us to encourage others with our story. We want to be sensitive to the opportunities we have to humbly, tactfully, and graciously share what life is like now that we are experiencing life in Jesus.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Reflect on the sermon's message about everyone carrying a message, consciously or unconsciously. What messages do you think you convey through your actions, words, and attitudes?

2. The sermon highlighted the importance of carrying a message of hope and transformation. What message would you like to convey to others in your life, and why is it significant to you?
3. The story of Bill W. and Dr. Bob from Alcoholics Anonymous illustrates the power of sharing one's story and struggles with others. Can you think of a personal experience of struggle and salvation that you can share with someone to demonstrate God's impact and power?
4. The sermon emphasizes the need to talk to people about what Jesus is doing in our lives and to give ourselves away in service. What are some practical ways we can initiate conversations about Jesus with others, and how can we serve those in need around us?
5. Sam Shoemaker's words urge us to stay near the door, inviting others to find God's transformative presence. How can we strike a balance between deepening our own faith and reaching out to those who are seeking God? What steps can we take this week to be doorkeepers in our communities?

## **NEXT STEPS FOR THIS WEEK (COMMIT TO GROW)**

- ☐ I will talk to people about what Jesus is doing in my life.
- ☐ I will ask someone who is having a problem, "Can I pray for you?"
- ☐ I will carry the message to others by sharing my story.
- ☐ I will bring someone with me on Easter Sunday.
- ☐ I will invite someone to serve with me.

## SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Matthew 28:18-20  
Jonah 3:4-5

## Prayer Request(s)

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