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Jesus' mission

5 When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him,
"Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house
today." 6 So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. 7 All
the people saw this and began to mutter, "**He has gone to be the
guest of a sinner.**" 8 But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord,
"Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor,

- Luke 19:5-10

and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." 9 Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. 10 For **the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.**"

- Luke 19:5-10

9 As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. 10 While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, **many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him** and his disciples. 11 When the Pharisees saw this, they asked

- Matthew 9:9-13

his disciples, "**Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?**" 12 On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. 13 But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For **I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.**"

- Matthew 9:9-13

1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. 2 But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law **muttered,** "**This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.**" 3 Then Jesus told them this parable: 4 "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?

- **Luke 15:1-10**

5 And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders 6 and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, **'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.'** 7 I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

- Luke 15:1-10

8 "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? 9 And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, '**Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.**' 10 In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

- Luke 15:1-10

Our mission

18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore **go** and **make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And **surely I am with you always**, to the very end of the age."

- Matthew 28:18-20

15 He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. 16 Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. 17 And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; 18 they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt

- Mark 16:15-20

them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well." 19 After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God. 20 Then **the disciples** went out and **preached everywhere**, and **the Lord worked with them** and **confirmed his word** by the signs that accompanied it.

- Mark 16:15-20

18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: 19 that **God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them.** And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. 20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

- 2 Corinthians 5:18-21

Thessalonians - a model church
(The Lord's message rang out)

6 You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for **you welcomed the message** in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. 7 And so **you became a model to all the believers** in Macedonia and Achaia. 8 **The Lord's message rang out from you** not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it,

- 1 Thessalonians 1:6-8









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