

# LENTEN 2019



I *See* YOU



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Week Three: Day 11- Monday, March 18, 2019

## **I See You – Unsaved One**

*And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; <sup>10</sup> for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.*

(Luke 19:9-10 – NKJV)

### **Devotional Reading:**

The person who sits next to you in worship may not be a Christian. The stranger who passed by you may not be a Christian. The family that is searching for the children’s or youth ministry may simply be seekers of truth who have not yet known the joy of confessing Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Do you see them?

Jesus was always ready to minister to those who were seeking a better way to live. Ultimately, whoever comes to church is seeking a better way to live and this is especially so for the unsaved.

Even in the church on Sunday, Wednesday; at weddings and funerals, when children are dedicated and when new converts are baptized, there are those present who are in need of hearing the gospel message.

Do you have a heart for them? Do you care about their eternal salvation? Do you see them---in church? They are among us. And they may never verbally ask you about Jesus and the abundant life, but they still want to know. Look for them and be prepared to hear them ask---whether they say so or not.

Be a Witness!

Week Three: Day 12 - Tuesday, March 19, 2019

## **I See You – Un-churched One**

### **Scripture:**

*And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.*

(Hebrews 10:24-25 - NKJV)

### **Devotional Reading**

Do you know someone who is saved but un-churched? That is the man, woman, girl or boy who has made a profession of faith in Jesus, has been baptized, has a church membership card, yet they seldom if ever attend worship services or other congregational gatherings.

The un-churched have a myriad of reason why they don't attend church. You might hear them say or text, "but I watch services on television" or "I worship as I watch online as I rest in bed" or "I read my Bible everyday". While these are all favorable practices, there will always be a void in the life of the un-churched who do not regularly worship and study with other believers.

The author of Hebrews exclaims an exhortation that causes us to take pause in how we view the un-churched. Considering one another (I see you) we should ignite the flame of love and good works, not forsaking our assembly with each other to warn, encourage and help each other live righteously. Don't let the un-churched off the hook---just because they are saved.

Be a Witness!

Week Three: Day 13 - Wednesday, March 20, 2019

## **I See You – Hurting One**

### **Scripture:**

*For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory,  
(2 Corinthians 4:17 – NKJV)*

### **Devotional Reading**

We are surrounded by hurting people. Some hurt because they feel disrespected. Others hurt because they have been abused or abandoned. Still, others hurt because they have afflicted pain upon friends and family with their unkind words and evil deeds.

Some hurt because of physical ailments brought on resulting from the aging process, accidental injuries or even from drug or alcohol abuse. Could your pain be the by-product of broken relationship, unresolved conflicts or lack of love and care?

Hurt is no respecter of persons and hurt manifests itself in many ways and forms. But pain can also be temporary. It is the faith opportunity of the day to see other's pain and then help to relieve them of their affliction.

A word of peace. A loving gift. An act of kindness. A smile. An offer of assistance. A notice of forgiveness. Each of these can go a long way in letting the hurting know that the pain they are experiencing can work toward something good.

Be a Witness!

Week Three: Day 14 - Thursday, March 21, 2019

## **I See You – Sick One**

*I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'*

(Matthew 25:36 – NKJV)

### **Devotional Reading**

The sick and shut-in should never be shut out. Our witness should extend to those who are suffering and incapacitated. They may not be in church but they are still the church.

Jesus essentially says, when you minister to the sick, you minister to me. Who do you know that is sick? Who do you know who is shut-in? Who do you know who is in prison? Who do you know who is in need of material things?

Our best witness is when we witness and word and deeds. Think about those in your family, your home, your church, your community who are in need> What can you do for them? How can you do for them? When can you do for them?

Whatever you do for them, you do to Jesus.

Be a Witness!

Week Three: Day 15 - Friday, March 22, 2019

## **I See You – The Mourner**

*Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.*  
(Matthew 5:4 – NKJV)

### **Devotional Reading**

God's Word is a comfort to those who mourn. But those who mourn may never hear a comforting word if you don't bring it to them. The blessing of those who mourn is to hear the Word of God from you.

Medical and psychological experts discourse about the stages of grief. They contend that those who experience the death of loved ones or friends may experience these stages in succession or sometime seemingly all at once. The problem that mourners face is not that they travel through the stages of grief, but rather, that all too often they have to walk those corridors alone.

Give comfort to those who mourn. They are sitting the pews. They are sitting in the beauty parlor chairs or the barber's seat. They sit across from you on the train or in the restaurant. Bless them with the word of comfort. That indeed is a good look---you the conveyor of comfort.

Be a Witness!

Week Three: Day 16 - Saturday, March 23, 2019

**My Weekly Prayer Journal**

Today, my prayer for others is:

Today, my prayer for family is:

Today, my prayer for my church is:

Today, my prayer for my community is:

Today, my prayer for myself is:



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# EACH ONE REACH ONE

**MATT 28:19** | Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

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