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Helping Others Find Life In Christ

I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance. John 10:10 CSB

<u>My purpose</u> is to give them a rich and satisfying life.

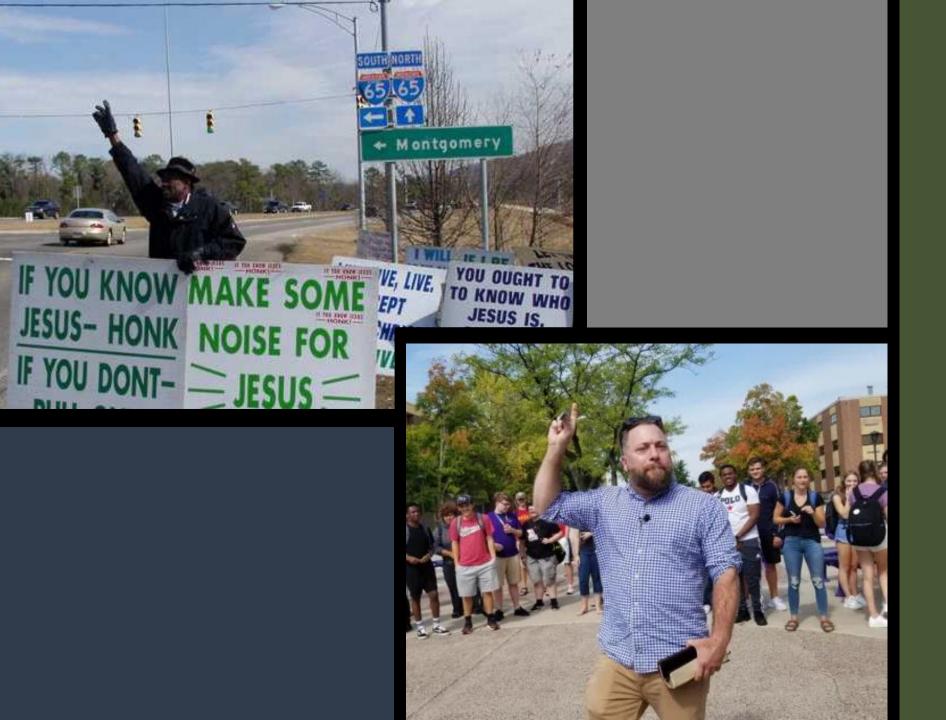
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For the one who finds me finds life... Proverbs 8:35

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The one who believes in me, as the Scripture has said, will have streams of living water flow from deep within him. John 7:38





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The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Matthew 11:19

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All the tax collectors and sinners were approaching to listen to him. And the Pharisees and scribes were complaining, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "What man among you, who has a hundred sheep and loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open field and go after the lost one until he finds it?

Luke 15:1-4

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For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost. Luke 19:10

While he was reclining at the table in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came to eat with Jesus and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" Now when he heard this, he said, "It is not those who are well who need a doctor, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means: I desire mercy and not sacrifice. For I didn't come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Matthew 9:10-13

The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed.

Luke 4:18

His simple strategy was friendship and blessing

You have been <u>blessed</u> to be a <u>blessing</u>

The Sovereign Lord has given me his words of wisdom, <u>so that</u> I know how to comfort the weary. Isaiah 50:4 The Lord said to Abram:

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