

Let Me Show You Jesus

Matthew 5:16 – NKJV - ¹⁶ Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 25:34-40 - NKJV

³⁴ Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: ³⁵ for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'

³⁷ "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? ³⁸ When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? ³⁹ Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?'

⁴⁰ And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.'

We live in a world of words. (Yet, Let me show you Jesus).

- We communicate **with our words**.
- No matter where you go in this world today, you will find there a language that is spoken.
- It may be different than the language that is spoken where you come from, but there are **languages made up of words nonetheless**.

I have traveled to other places in the world to do mission work and it is always very strange and uncomfortable when I am in a place where **I do not speak or understand the language**.

- Many times I've had to gesture to someone what I want
- Or use facial expressions to acknowledge my appreciation for their help
- Or assistance because **I didn't speak their language**.

Language is important

- ***Without it communication is lost***

But there are some things that language cannot explain.

- *There are some things* that words cannot express.
- There are some things that you just have to see with your own eyes.

I could try all day to describe to you the grandeur of the Grand Canyon

- *But until you have stood on the cliff* that overhangs the side of it –
- Then You have never really experienced *the Grande Canyon*.

I could talk all day and do my best to explain the suffering that goes on in much of the world today –

- But until *you've seen it with your own eyes*
- You would never understand how many people in the world live today.

Understand that there are *some things in this world that are just* –

- Too complex and too vast and too amazing *to try to explain with words* –
- *You just have to* go see some things for yourself.

If I really wanted you to understand –

- **What it is** that I am trying to convey to you or show you about something,
- *I would serve you better by* taking you to the thing or showing it to you first hand
- *So you could understand fully* what it was I am describing with my words.
- You just have to **experience it for yourself**.

I hear so many people today trying to tell the world who Jesus is

- I hear so many preachers even on TV doing their best to describe **to this troubled world** Who Jesus is.
- I'm standing here this morning trying my best with words to speak to you about Him.....
- To share with you a message I believe *He would want me to share with you*.

When **the message is over...**

- When the ***sermon is finished...***
- I then have to **show you Jesus.**

The sermon here today is only part of my job as Pastor, **to show you who Jesus is.**

- I have to then **live Jesus in front of you.**
- I then have to **extend grace as Jesus would.**
- I then have to **love you the way Jesus loves you.**
- I have to **forgive and restore you the way He wants to forgive and restore you.**

Through the years **I've been on the job or in the workplace** where ***some well meaning Christian*** is preaching to their co-workers.

- With cheap and **even idle words** they **try to win these people without attempting to show the person Jesus.**
- ***Without*** ever stepping out of their comfort zone, **they use words** to try to **show people the Love of God.**

We need to understand today that **words could never truly describe the Love of Jesus.**

- **Words can never fully depict the vast and incredible love that our savior has for us today.**

If this world **is ever going to see Jesus,** they are going to have to **see it not by our words, but by our actions.**

- Our shirts should say, ***“Let me show you Jesus”.***
- That's a **bold statement.**
- I would say that is **the boldest statement** we as a church could make.
- ***“Let me show you Jesus.”***

Showing people Jesus is going to take **commitment.**

- Showing people Jesus is going to take **sacrifice.**
- Showing people Jesus is going to take **us getting out of our comfort zones.**
- It's going to take us going into **some neighborhoods we may not feel comfortable going into.**
- It's going to take us **spending time with someone who makes us feel uneasy.**
- It's going to take us **feeding the hungry**

- ***Clothing the naked***
- Visiting the *sick and imprisoned*.
- It's going to take us ***acting like Christians*** instead of heathens.
- It's going to take us ***reaching out to help our neighbors***.
- It's going to take us ***loving this world*** that may very well ***hate us***.

If we are going to show this world Jesus, it may very well take a whole lot more than what the world has been seeing in us.

I've seen and even been one of those who go door to door *telling people about Jesus Christ.*

- We stand on their doorsteps and ask them to join us at church.
- We tell them that our religion is better than what they have.
- We tell them that ***we have Jesus*** living in our hearts.

The problem that many people have is they have Jesus all locked up tight in their hearts and they never let Him out.

- **He's become** some little thing that they only do on a Sunday morning.
- **He's only** taken out when they have some need or problem in their life.

I want you to know today that if we could ever ***get Jesus out of here*** (Heart)

- If we could ever get to a point where people are seeing Jesus in and through us.
- If we could ever get to the place where they don't even need to hear our words to see our God – Then – we would truly be showing people Jesus.

We all know today that this world needs to see Jesus.

- We all know today that **the only hope** for this troubled world is that they might come into a relationship with the *King of Kings* and the Lord of Lords.
- **He is the answer** for the world's problems.
- **He is the only one** who can heal them.
- **This world needs to see Jesus**
- They don't need to see Sim **they need to see Jesus.**

I don't know about you, but *I've grown very tired of my own attempt to reach people with words.*

- Words are cheap.
- Words are easy.
- **Words don't take much commitment.**
- **Words don't take much sacrifice.**

Anybody can offer words,

- Who wants to feed someone who has no food.
- Who would go in their closet and help cloth those without.
- Who would care for and minister to someone who has fallen sick.
- Who would buy a Christmas gift for a child that they don't even know?

CLOSE:

"Let me show you Jesus" is the Theme of this church.

- It is our mantra.
- **It is who we will become.**
- ***We're not there yet,* but we're heading in that direction very quickly.**
- ***MYCHURCH will be more than* just a place to have church; it will become a beacon and a lighthouse to the community in which God placed us.**
- **It will be a place where lives are truly changed.**
- ***It will be a place where hope is absolutely restored.***
- ***It will be a place where people can see Jesus through those who call themselves MY CHURCH.***

We say we have a great message.

- **We say we have a great hope.**
- We say we have something that the world needs.

- **Let's stop saying it and let's start showing it.**
- **Let's begin to minister to those who God places before us.**
- ***Let's start to become what we keep preaching about.***

Let's show them Jesus.

Mark 16:15-18 – NKJV - ¹⁵ And He said to them, *"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.*** ¹⁶ He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.**

¹⁷ And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; ¹⁸ they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

If you truly want to make a difference in someone’s life,

- Why don’t you take an hour or two out of your busy schedule **and teach them what the bible says.**
- **Show them that you care** enough about them that you would sacrifice your time to teach them a bible study.

There seems to be an emphasis on the word Go in vs. 15,

- In fact it’s capitalized for a reason.
- Many people want to preach the gospel as long as **they don’t have to go** anywhere.
- Now I’m not saying you have to move to some other nation **to share Word of God** with people, **but you do have to go.**
- **You have to go into their homes.**
- You have to go into their school.
- You have to go into wherever it is that **they live** in order to share this message with them.
- **You can’t show someone Jesus** if you’re not willing to get in your car and drive to his or her house once in a while to minister to him or her.
- **That’s what it’s going to take** for you to show them Jesus – isn’t it...?

Let me show you Jesus. - Let me introduce you to Him.

Let me demonstrate for you who He really is and how much He cares for you.

PRAISE TEAM:

Why don’t we take a few minutes and kneel at our chairs or come up around the front here and pray for a little while.

- **Let’s ask Jesus to help us to represent Him.**
- **Let’s ask Him to give us the boldness** we need to show Jesus to this world.