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In his letter to the Romans and his last letter to his apprentice, Timothy, Paul uses the phrase "my gospel" which literally means "my good news." This phrase echoes the sentiment that we see throughout all of Paul's epistles that he never stopped being in awe of his own salvation. Once Jesus appeared to him on the road to Damascus, Paul was never the same. The purpose of his life changed instantly, and it was all *because* of the gospel and *for* the gospel.

Our lives should look the same. Sharing the gospel isn't a job merely for pastors and missionaries. We should be sharing it, too! But do we?

J.D. Greear put it this way in a sermon once: "I used to think it was unfair for God to condemn those who hadn't heard [the gospel]. What is really not fair, however, is that those of us who have heard so much do so little to get the message to those who have heard nothing at all."

This resource is one that we hope will help you personalize what the gospel means to you and for you. You can watch the companion workshop, Life in Gospel Community, with Michelle Myers to help you fill out the two charts.

God created a beautiful world. He created man, and He created woman. And it didn't take long for His creation to begin searching for happiness outside of Him. Sin entered the world, which is what separates us from God. Because God is perfectly holy, without defect, sin keeps us from Him. But His love isn't like the love we experience so often here on earth. God's love doesn't have conditions. So in His perfect love, in actions that go beyond our understanding, He sent His Son, Jesus, to earth to do what we could never do: live a perfect, sinless life.

And in His death on the cross, Jesus didn't just die for you and for me. **He died instead of us.** But He didn't stay in the grave either. Three days later, He conquered death. He rose again, He ascended to the Father in Heaven, and He is waiting for the Father to give Him instructions to come back to earth for those who believe in Him so that we can spend eternity with Him. Jesus' death and resurrection turned that separation into not just a way, but *THE* way to be reconciled with God.

And in His absence, He has instructed us to be disciples who make disciples (Matthew 28:19-20) "as we are going" — in our homes, communities, work places and to the ends of the earth.

VERSES YOU CAN READ TO SHARE THE GOSPEL IN YOUR OWN WORDS:

(This is not an exclusive list. The whole Bible points to Jesus, but these are some key passages.)

COLOSSIANS 1:16

GENESIS 1:31

ISAIAH 53:6

ROMANS 3:23

JOHN 3:16

PHILIPPIANS 2:6-8

1 CORINTHIANS 15:3-5

1 JOHN 1:9

ROMANS 10:9-10

EPHESIANS 2:8-9; 19-20

MATTHEW 28:19-20

JOHN 15:10-13

MATTHEW 6:33

HEBREWS 12:1-2

REVELATION 7:9

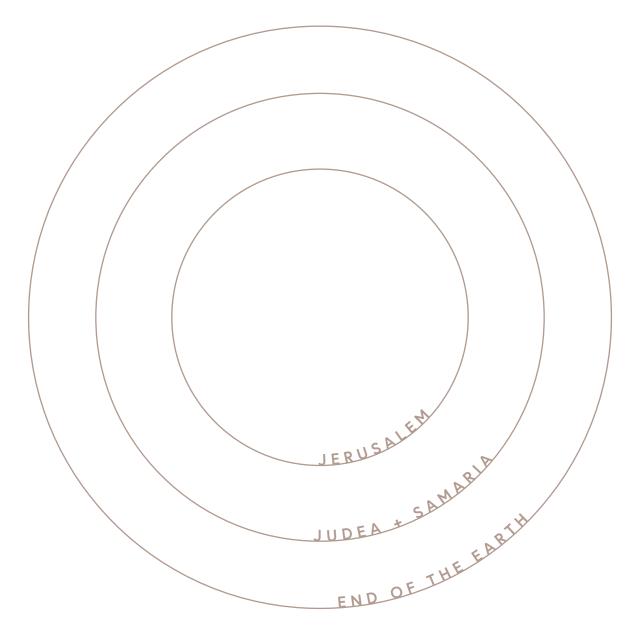
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EXAMPLE:

Before Christ, I was constantly striving for something but I was never satisfied. Then, I embraced Jesus as my Savior, and I realized that the purpose I had been searching for wasn't something I had to do, but what Jesus had already done for me. Now, I have joy despite circumstance, peace past understanding, and contentment in Christ alone.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

- ACTS 1:8



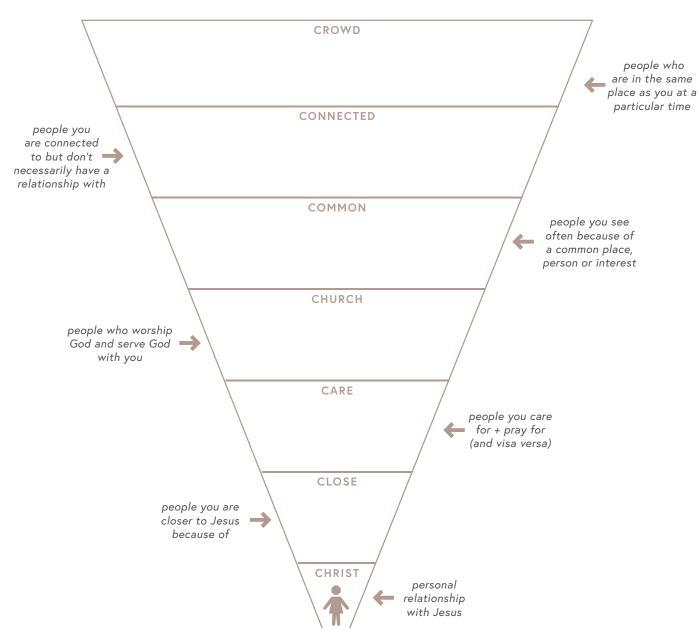
Personalize these circles above to remind you where God has called you to serve Him.

JERUSALEM: YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

JUDEA + SAMARIA: YOUR SURROUNDING REGION

ENDS OF THE EARTH: EVERYWHERE YOU VISIT/GO

Grow in Christ to increase your circle of where you take Him (and don't skip steps.)



Personalize these steps above to remind you who God has called you to serve, love + reach. Pray over the names you write down often.

The smaller the funnel, the fewer the number of people and the closer the relationship. The larger the funnel, the greater the number of people and the more distant the relationship.

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

-ACTS 2:42-47

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