HOPE FOR THE WORLD

October 1st/2nd 2016 | Pastor Matt McGill | Anchored Series

Our goal today is not GUILT, the goal is GROWTH.

Following Jesus 101: Bringing Hope to the World

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure." (Hebrews 6:18)

"... remember that at that time you were separate from Christ ... without hope and without God in the world." (Ephesians 2:12)

I. Cultivate a HEART of compassion.

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." (Luke 19:10)

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son." (John 3:16-18)

II. Demonstrate an ATTITUDE of acceptance.

"While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" (Matthew 9:10-11)

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God." (Romans 15:7)

[Jesus speaking] "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven...Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?" (Luke 6:37-41)

We believe in... Sin Grace Redemption Therefore we... Aren't SHOCKED Offer FREEDOM Hope for CHANGE

III. Communicate with a LIFESTYLE of service.

Practical help—For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' (Matthew 25:35-36)

Prayer—Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." (Luke 23:34)

Persistent Character—In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5:16)

For your devotions this week: read, pray, and think about Luke 15.

Sign up to help at the Fall Family Festival: www.nlc.link/fff

Pick up a FREE personal Bible Study on the Psalms at one of the "GROW" tables in the lobby.

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