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 THE JESUS WHO SEEKS
 Discussion Guide

SERMON SUMMARY

The higher the value of something lost, the bigger the effort to recover it. Jesus died for us because we are so valuable to Him.

There are three things we are invited into:

1. To carry the Message.
2. To carry it now.
3. To carry it when Jesus says.

Why should we act on these three invitations?

1. It's why Jesus came.
2. It's our responsibility.
3. It's what the world needs.

If we don't act on the three invitations, Pastor Daniel reminds us that we may miss the window of opportunity, which has a lifetime value. This means the window may only remain open for a short period of time. We can miss the opportunity to show how much we value our relationships (family, friends, coworkers, and other relationships). Therefore, we must carry the message now or whenever Jesus asks.

SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE

- Matthew 21:1
- Acts 1:8
- John 9:4 (ESV)
- James 1:22-25
- Luke 19:10
- Matthew 28:16-20
- Romans 5:12

TALK IT OVER

Choose questions that keep the discussion moving. No need to discuss every question.

- What is the most valuable thing you've ever lost? What did you do?
- What is the message? What have you seen and heard that you can share as a part of the message?
- Why is it important to invest in relationships? What are some ways we can do that?

- How do we share the message with someone who doesn't believe?
- How can we value people the way Jesus does? Why is that sometimes hard to do?
- How would your life change if you valued people the way Jesus does?
- What are some excuses people give for waiting to help find God's lost children?

APPLICATION IDEAS

- Have each participant identify one person they will **invest** in and **invite** to church for Easter Sunday. Commit to praying for each other and for those you've identified throughout the week.

GO DEEPER

Additional ideas for a deeper study of the sermon topic.

- Research how Jesus and others in the Bible successfully built relationships and shared the message, e.g. Jesus with Zacchaeus in Luke 19:1-10.

PRAYER FOCUS

At Lifepoint, we pray until something happens. Make time in every group meeting to pray for one another and the larger matters of concern to your group.

- Pray that God will provide each participant the courage to carry the message or to extend an invitation to one of the Easter services this week.

LEADER TIPS

- Be transparent with your group. It is important for you to reveal your own imperfections and challenges if you expect your group members to do the same.