SAMPLE CURRICULUM Bring Jesus, a study in Luke

A sample study from the Bring Jesus volume begins on the following page.



LEARN: Overview

Biblical Business Training ("BBT") equips people to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ and empowers leaders in a small-group Bible study setting to apply Biblical principles at work. Our mission is <u>Faith for Work</u> – and our vision is <u>Leadership for Life!</u>

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Curriculum: The BBT 1-2-3™ Format

BBT curriculum is rooted in Scripture and applicable the day you study it. The *BBT 1-2-3*™ format enables the group to have a consistent Biblical basis for discussion.



Agenda – Introduces applicable Biblical principles



Group Leader Guide - Facilitates discussion and allows for shared leadership



Recap - Encourages community and application



LIVE: Sample Bring Jesus

What motivates our behavior and drives our priorities? Jesus teaches us how our expectations and experiences shape how we respond to others. We may have to endure rejection and turn from the values of this world but, as He reveals, it is a greater privilege to tell of and lead others to His path of righteousness.

Volume includes 4 studies:

- 1. Christ's Agenda
- 2. Christ's Disciples
- 3. Christ's Mission
- 4. Christ's Path

No book is needed.



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AGENDA Bring Jesus Christ's Mission





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Thank You

Betty Maxfield survived the 9/11 tragedy at the Pentagon. In the Chicago Tribune, she said: "I should've been dead. We were all, for some reason, saved. My question now is, what am I supposed to do with it? I just can't go waste it. I thought I was living my life well before, but obviously there's more that I can do to say thank you for my life and a second chance at it."

Those of us who follow Jesus Christ have a similar feeling of responsibility. By the death of Christ on the cross, our sins are forgiven. Through faith in Christ, we have passed from death to life. And we all sense that we now live on this earth for something more than personal happiness, convenience, and comfort. We sense that Jesus has a purpose for us beyond ourselves.

Redemption

Jesus calls his disciples to participate with Him in His work of redemption, a work both significant and difficult. It is eternally significant because the world stands under the judgment of God, and only the message of the gospel can save it. It is temporally difficult because the devil has created spiritual conflict by hardening human hearts against the message of Jesus.



LIVE

Discussion questions: Read the text and scriptures below and prepare to answer the questions.

- 1. Read Luke 10:1-2. How are you a worker for the harvest?
- 2. Read Luke 10:3-9. With which instructions given to the disciples by Jesus do you most struggle?
- 3. Read Luke 10:10-16. How do these verses help you better understand the stakes of the mission?
- 4. Read Luke 10:17-24. What helps you outweigh the cost with the blessing?

<u>Application Question:</u> What will you do this week to take advantage of the privilege of knowing the good news of Christ?



PRAYERS

Prayer Requests & Closing Prayer





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Opening Prayer & Prayer Requests



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Before you begin, read the AGENDA LEARN introduction together and review the APPLICATION QUESTION from the previous meeting's RECAP.



LIVE

Discussion Questions: Have someone read each Bible verse aloud and then ask the corresponding question. Be sure everyone has enough time to find the Scripture before the verse is read.

1) Read <u>Luke 10:1-2</u>. How are you a worker for the harvest?



To be a worker for the harvest is to proclaim the gospel everywhere we can.



In this passage, the people of this world are compared to an abundant crop standing ready for harvest. God has chosen to work through his followers to reach others with the good news of salvation through faith in Christ, and He needs workers to bring in the harvest. Because God has chosen to work through us in this way, there is always a need for more workers for this all-important task.



Facilitate a brief discussion. You might ask, "How are you responding to Christ's mission with a heart of gratitude and obedience?"

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2) Read <u>Luke 10:3-9</u>. With which instructions given to the disciples by Jesus do you most struggle?



In these instructions, Jesus has given us the guidelines we need to minister effectively for Him, but it is not an easy mission.



Like any good leader, Jesus does not send us out without training. He tells us how to fulfill our mission with these principles: Be prepared for spiritual warfare, opposition; trust God to provide what we need; have a sense of urgency; bring blessing and help to people; serve others in need; focus attention on those who are welcoming; and tell people His good news.



Facilitate a brief discussion. You might ask, "When, in your day-to-day life do you feel like a 'lamb sent out among wolves'?" Be sure to check out the BBT volume on <u>Spiritual Warfare</u>.

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Whether people respond positively or negatively to the gospel and follow Jesus is not just a nice religious pastime or an enriching spirituality. Ultimately this is a life or death, heaven or hell proposition.



This passage helps us better understand the judgment of God on humanity. Some people will be judged because their depravity and hardness of heart cause them to reject God's way of salvation. Others ignore Jesus and the consequences are serious, and the eternal stakes are high.



Facilitate a brief discussion. You might ask, "How does knowing the awesome consequences motivate you to be faithful and serious about Christ's mission, even when it's hard?"

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This mission is not easy, but we should never resent the task. On the contrary, we should recognize the tremendous blessings given to us by God.



Jesus emphasized two privileges. First, God revealed the good news about Jesus to us. He gave us the ability to understand this message (vv. 21–24). Second, our names are in the Book of Life, meaning we will live forever in blessedness with God (v. 20). Jesus told the disciples in the ancient world and tells us still today that we are blessed because we are personally related to Him. With that blessing comes the responsibility to share His salvation with everyone we can, anytime we can.



Facilitate a brief discussion if time permits. You might ask, "How should these privileges affect the way we work?"

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<u>Application Question:</u> What will you do this week to take advantage of the privilege of knowing the good news of Christ?



PRAYERS

Prayer Requests & Closing Prayer



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Ask Yourself: Jesus could lead because the Father led Him. Jesus leads me so, who do I see regularly – at work, school, sporting activities, neighborhoods, coffee shops, and stores that I can lead to a relationship with Him?





RECAP Bring Jesus Christ's Mission





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This <u>BBT</u> volume of curriculum lays out the costs of following Christ's agenda, being one of His disciples, joining His mission and choosing His path. Joining Christ's mission while difficult, is a privilege and because He is in the lead, we can follow His example by leading others to Him.



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Jesus sends out His followers to be part of the work of His mission just as a farmer would hire laborers to help with the work of the harvest. He sends them with specific instructions on how they are to do their work, trusting in God throughout. Because of their willingness to go, Jesus' ultimately rewarded His followers with a glimpse of the amazing work God was doing.

Scripture references for this study: Luke 10:1-24



LIVE

- The work of Christ's Mission
- The method of Christ's Mission
- The reward of Christ's Mission

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