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Matthew 4:18, As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. 19 "Come, follow Me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." 20 At once they left their nets and followed Him.

Mark 2:1, A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that He had come home. 2 They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and He preached the Word to them.

Three Ways To Move Out Of Your Spiritual Comfort Zone:

1 - Develop PASSION FOR PEOPLE

Mark 2:3, Some men came, bringing to Him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. 4 Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on.

Characteristics Of Those Who Have A Passion For People:

They have **CONFIDENCE** that Jesus Can make a difference.

They have **COMPASSION** for those who are hurting.

They are **COOPERATIVE** for the cause of Christ.

They use **CREATIVITY** to find a way.

Isaiah 6:8, Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for Us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

2 - Bring People To <u>JESUS</u>

Mark 2:5, When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

Proverbs 11:30, The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and the one who is wise saves lives.

Job 14:16, Surely then You will count my steps but not keep track of my sin. 17 My offenses will be sealed up in a bag; You will cover over my sin.

3 - Don't Become A Modern Day PHARISEE

Mark 2:6, Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, 7 "Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" 8 Immediately Jesus knew in His spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and He said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? 9 Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk'? 10 But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So He said to the man, 11 "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." 12 He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone...

Matthew 25:34, "Then the King will say...'Come, you who are blessed by My Father; take your inheritance... 35 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... 37 "Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You something to drink? ... 40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine, you did for Me.'

Three Questions We Need To Ask About This Passage:

- 1 Who Does God Want Me To See?
- 2 What Does God Want Me To Know?
- 3 What Does God Want Me To Do?

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