

MESSAGE NOTES



Series: After the One
Message: Join the Search
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Jesus came on a rescue mission to “seek and to save those who are lost.” Luke 19:10 (NLT)

Jesus was guided by a deep love and concern for people.

“He had compassion on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd.”
Mark 6:34 (NLT)

Jesus paid a high price to see His mission accomplished.

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd sacrifices his life for the sheep.”
John 10:11 (NLT)

Jesus has recruited all His followers to join in the mission!

“¹⁸ I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach

these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”
Matthew 28:18–20 (NLT)

Our testimony should be this...

“²⁸ So we tell others about Christ, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all the wisdom God has given us. We want to present them to God, perfect in their relationship to Christ. ²⁹ That’s why I work and struggle so hard, depending on Christ’s mighty power that works within me.”

Colossians 1:28–29 (NLT)

But there is a big problem...

“³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ He said to his disciples, “The harvest is great, but the workers are few. ³⁸ So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields.”
Matthew 9:36–38 (NLT)

Question:

“What will I do?”

TAKE HOME SHEET



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Read carefully Jesus' command to all His followers...

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If Jesus is the ultimate authority in my life, then what should my attitude be?

Being honest, am I taking this command seriously in my day-to-day life choices?

What hinders me from being more focused and deliberate in

- pursuing those who don't know Jesus?
- Encouraging those who do to join the search?

What is one thing I can begin to do now to help alleviate the problem Jesus talks about in Matthew 9:36–38 (NLT)?

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NLT— New Living Translation