

# Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

February 4

## 21 DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING 3 KEYS TO SPIRITUAL INFLUENCE

### PROLOGUE

#### 1. The Great Commandment:

Matthew 22:36-40 *"Jesus said, 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul and mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and Prophets hang on these two commandments.'" (NIV)*

#### 2. The Great Commission:

Matthew 28:19-20 *"Jesus said, 'Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.'" (NIV)*

#### The Jesus approach to making disciples:

1. Bring them in
2. Build them up
3. Send them out

### TWO BIG PROBLEMS

1. We are sending the wrong message.
2. We have a lack of urgency.

### THE MESSAGE - 3 KEYS TO SPIRITUAL INFLUENCE

**1 Peter 2:11-12** - *Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul. Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us. (NIV)*

#### Key 1 - A Good Life

- Don't make good statements that aren't backed up with a good life.

## Key 2 - Good Deeds

**Matt 5:13-16** - "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men. "You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. (NIV)

- A good deed is doing something that **you don't have to do.**

**Matthew 9:35** - Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.

**Acts 10:38**- [And you know]how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around **doing good** and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

- Your good deeds must be related to good faith.

## Key 3 - Good Answers

**1 Peter 3:15-16** - But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. [NIV]

- Everything I share must be shared with gentleness and respect.

## EPILOGUE: 5 THINGS WE DON'T WANT TO FORGET:

1. There are no magic bullets.
2. It's impossible to have impact without contact.
  - We isolate when we are weak; but we infiltrate when we are strong.
3. Come and see is more effective than shut up and listen
4. No one can argue with our story.
5. God wants His enemies won over not wiped out.