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The Gospels

The Mission of the Messiah

Jesus came to ______ to ______ from a debt we could never pay (Matthew 20:28 and Mark 10:45)

- We need Jesus because apart from Him we are ______
 (Titus 3:3)
- By faith in Jesus, we move from ______(Galatians 4:7)

Jesus came to ______ the lost so that we can live transformed lives (Luke 19:10)

- By faith in Jesus, we are saved to ______(Ephesians 4:20-31).

Jesus came to ______ and _____ (John 10:10)

- We need Jesus because apart from Him we are ______(Ephesians 2:1-3).
- By faith in Jesus, we are made _______to serve Him (Ephesians 2:4-10).

Personal observations from the message.

- 1. How would you summarize what you learned in a sentence or two?
- 2. What was something you didn't know or were reminded of?
- 3. What point or verse did you find most helpful? Why?
- 4. What is a question you have?
- 5. What is an action step you will take?

Discussion questions from the message.

- On the last Sunday of Jesus' life (Palm Sunday), people were praising Him as he entered Jerusalem. By Thursday, the crowds were crying out, "Crucify Him!" How did they misunderstand his identity and his mission? -- What are some different ways people misunderstand the identity and mission of Jesus today?
- 2. Read Matthew 20:28. What two things did Jesus come to do? -- What does the word ransom communicate about our condition apart from Christ? -- Read Titus 3:3 what are some of the "various passions and pleasures" that enslave us? What are things that have held you captive? -- Read Galatians 4:4-7. What does this verse teach us Jesus has done for us? -- How should all this impact the way we approach God and what difference does it make in our everyday lives?
- 3. Read Luke 19:10. What does this verse say Jesus came to do? -- What does it mean that we are lost? How would you explain this to a middle school student? -- How does Ephesians 4:17-19 describe our "lostness?" -- How does Ephesians 4:20-24 describe what happens to us when we are "found?" What are specific ways Ephesians 4:25-32 say this transformation from lost to found should impact us? -- Which of these do you find hard to do?
- 4. Read John 10:10. What does this verse say Jesus has come to do? -- What all does Ephesians 2:1-3 say about our condition apart from Christ? -- How should understanding that this is the condition of the unsaved impact us? -- What does Ephesians 4:4-9 tell us God has done for us? Why? -- What does Ephesians 2:10 tell us is the result of being saved by grace through faith?