



## Sermon-based small groups connect the week to the weekend!

Dig deeper into the talk each week, while getting connected, cared for, and known. Challenge yourself to see how the message actually makes sense and applies to your everyday life and do it with people just like you to support you on your journey.

**Message Info:** The Savior's Footsteps – 7/3/22 – As a kid on a snowy day, it can be challenging to walk in the snow. So, the easy thing to do is follow the footprints of the person in front of you. In the same way, we need to follow Jesus' footsteps and look at His interactions with other people. The point of this message is to learn how to see people in the same way God does, and the best way we can do this is by looking at Jesus and how He saw people. Although this is not an easy thing to do, Jesus gave us an example to follow, and it is our job to follow that example. (*Passages: Matthew 9:9-13, John 11:33-36, John 13:1-17, Philippians 2:3-4, Colossians 3:23, Luke 23:32-34, Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8*)

**Discussion Questions**: Take your time and dig into these questions.

Who is someone that inspires you? Name a person that you look up to and want to imitate the example that they leave.

The best way we can learn how to see people in the same way God does is by looking at how Jesus interacted with people. What is challenging about seeing people in a "godly" way?

Read Matt. 9:9-13. Jesus didn't care about Matthew's reputation as a "tax collector." Jesus chose to invite. Why are we so quick to judge others outwardly?

Read John 11:33-36. It hurt Jesus to see Mary and Martha hurting. He chose to grieve with them. What does it mean to grieve with someone? How can you?

Read John 13:1-17. Jesus lowered Himself and chose to serve his disciples. What are some examples of serving, and how can you serve those who are around you?

Read Luke 23:32-34. Even to those who wronged Him, Jesus chose to love and forgive. Why is it so challenging for us to forgive those who wronged us?

Reflect on the points we talked about. What needs to change for you in how you see other people?

## **Group Challenge:**

Invite a friend or family member who doesn't go to church to come to church with you this weekend.

