

PEOPLE OF THE WAY

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Welcome

Worship Team..... Way Maker
God So Loved

Message..... Senior Pastor Jay Bruner
People Of The Way (Week 3)

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PEOPLE OF THE WAY ARE PEOPLE *LIVING THE WAY*

Jesus said, ***“I am the way, the truth, and the life...”*** John 14:6 (NLT)

Jesus said, ***“You can identify them (people of the way) by their fruit, that is, by the way they act...”*** Matthew 7:16 (NLT)

HOW TO LIVE OUT THE WAY

*One day an expert in religious law stood up to test Jesus by asking him this question: “Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus replied, “What does the law of Moses say? How do you read it?” The man answered, “You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.’ And, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.” “Right!” Jesus told him. **“Do this and you will live!”** The man wanted to justify his actions, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied with a story: “A Jewish man was traveling from Jerusalem down to Jericho, and he was attacked by bandits. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him up, and left him half dead beside the road. By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by. A Temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side. Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he **felt compassion for him**. Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, ‘Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I’ll pay you the next time I’m here.’ Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?” Jesus asked. The man replied, **“The one who showed him mercy.”** Then Jesus said, “Yes, now go and do the same.” Luke 10:25-37 (NLT)*

1. Choose to care about what Jesus cares about. (IMAGO DEI)

Who does Jesus care about?

A. People: the lost, broken, hurting, helpless, and confused.

When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Matthew 9:36 (NLT)

B. His family and His church.

Christ loved the church and gave His life for her... Eph. 5:25 (TEV)

We know what real love is because Jesus gave up His life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters.

1 John 3:16 (NLT)

2. Choose to become the somebody, the someone, and the they.

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3. Choose to tell people of The True Way.

“The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, ‘Take care of this man...’ Luke 10:35 (NLT)

“...And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8 (NLT)

Going deeper on your own: Review today’s message notes and answer the following questions: Who are you in the story of the beaten man? When was the last time you felt **compassion** for someone in need? What did you do about it? This week, ask the Holy Spirit to give you the opportunity to be His “Person of the Way” in someone’s life. Intentionally choose to be somebody’s, *somebody*! Write to Pastor Jay at jay@centerpointchurch.com and tell him your story.