

Media



☑ Prepare in Advance

- Have the *Bible Background Video* ready to view.
- Retrieve, review, and have ready the videos listed below (links are provided on this session's webpage).

☑ Being Transformed

Show the *Bible Background Video* followed by the “Family Man” and/or “PS I Love You” video clips, then use any or all of these questions to promote discussion:

- How do these videos fit with this prayer from Ephesians?
- In what ways does your congregation build itself on the promise that following Jesus will change someone's life?
- What are some of the things that your congregation promises, both overtly and by implication, for those who find faith in Christ?
- If someone was an “outsider” to your congregation or faith, to what extent do you think those promises have been “made good,” and why?
- In what concrete and tangible ways do you think that following Christ has changed your congregation or group to the extent that they are significantly different from other well-meaning groups of people?
- What do you think is the best thing a congregation can do to help others see how it has been transformed by its experiences with Jesus?

☑ React to This

Play the “Water Boy” (WARNING – Brief profanity) and/or “Salvador” video clips, stopping briefly after each for any comments, then ask questions like:

- How are these videos relevant to the conversation we've had so far?
- If you can, tell about a person you've known who has affected your life in a big way. How has this person affected the way you look at life?
- In what ways might other people's lives have been transformed by their experiences with you?
- The scriptures we read in Ephesians reflect people whose experiences with Jesus and his disciples profoundly affected their outlook on life. What

experiences of this sort have you had and how have they affected your perspective?

- What kinds of things have you done in order to help others either have such encounters with Christ or to recognize them when they occurred?

Close: Invite individuals to describe, but not name, some people they know personally who would benefit from an encounter with the risen Christ. Close with a prayer that these people might meet the Jesus you know.

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