THE CHURCH HAS *LEFT* THE B U I L D I N G

Impact List – 12/13/2020

OVERVIEW

God is calling us to make an impact on those He has placed around us and doing this takes intentionality. What better way to be intentional than to commit to praying for those you desire to follow Jesus? Imagine if those prayers are what sparks the fire in you to share your story with someone, and at the same time begins to transform their heart to be ready to say "Yes" to Him. How will God use your intentionality to draw someone to Him?

Scriptures (NIV): John 17:1-3, 20:30-31, 17:6, 9, 20, 26; Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25, 9:24

APPLICATION

• Is there someone who consistently prayed for your heart before you were a follower of Jesus? Share the impact those prayers had on your life.

• Have you ever considered the fact that Jesus prayed for you over 2,000 years ago and continues to intercede for you today? How will this affect how you pray for people moving forward?

• Read John 17 in its entirety. As you are reading, think about Jesus' emotions, what He knows is getting ready to happen, the setting, etc. What stands out to you about Jesus' prayer and why?

• Jesus is our perfect example. Write down some of the things Jesus specifically prayed for in this passage.

TAKE ACTION: Now that you have a list, pray those things for yourself and the people on your Impact List. For example: Jesus prayed that the same joy that filled His heart would fill yours, that you would know and believe the truth about who He is, that you would continue to be transformed by the power of His Word, etc.

NEXT STEP: Place your Impact List somewhere that you will see it every day and commit to praying for the people on that list. Don't just pray for them, but also pray for opportunities to share your story with them as well! Add to the list as God continues to place new people on your heart.

WE WANT TO HEAR: If you have a story of how God used you in someone's life or how someone was used in your life, let us know at <u>pastors@blueridge.org</u>. Also email us if you have questions or want to talk to someone about your faith journey.