

YOU CAN'T QUARANTINE THE GOSPEL

A study designed by Dare 2 Share Ministries

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Week 2 – We Care

- Opening Discussion “Starters”

1) How was your week? What is something new you experienced? On a scale of 1-10, where 1 is lowest and 10 is highest, where would you rate your feeling of escaping quarantine? Why do you feel that way?

2) How did it go praying for those 1-3 friends of yours that don't know Jesus?

- Video for Week 2

* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AKWNDFtalrI>

* We're so glad you are continuing this study & equipping yourself to help spread the love, grace, and forgiveness of God. It's our prayer you experience the presence of the Lord in a new, exciting, and refreshing way throughout this study.

* Take some time to watch the videos before each lesson. It will help you in your preparation & make the lesson much more relevant. The material covered in the video aids in allowing the material in the lesson “pop out!”

- Lesson for Week 2

* Read Mark 1:39-42

~ “Jesus traveled throughout the region of Galilee, preaching in the synagogues and casting out demons. A man with leprosy came and knelt in front of Jesus, begging to be healed. ‘Lord, if you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean,’ the man said. Moved with compassion, Jesus reached out and touched him. ‘I am willing. Be healed!’ Instantly, the leprosy disappeared and the man was healed.”

~ In what ways did Jesus set the pace for caring in this passage?

* He cast out demons, preached in the local synagogues, and healed the leper.

~ How can you care for your friends who may be “fighting demons” in their own lives?

~ How can we call on God to heal in this time?

~ What are some ways you have seen Christians setting the pace for caring in your own life? The lives of others? Throughout history?

* In the video, Greg told us there are many ways we as Christians can care for others in this time. He spent time focusing in on four specific ways to set the pace for caring: Hygiene, Wisdom, Peace, and Encouragement. Let’s dive deeper into those specific ways:

* Hygiene

~ Be diligent in washing your hands & to keep your hands away from everyone else

~ Read Psalm 26:6-7

* “I wash my hands to declare my innocence. I come to your altar, Oh Lord, singing a song of thanksgiving and telling of all your wonders.”

* As we wash our hands, remember the innocence Jesus gave us on the cross & to praise God in the midst of this pandemic.

* Wisdom

~ Following the social distancing rules is a way to honor God, your parents, and our society’s leaders

~ Even as we follow social distance rules & are in quarantine, God can help us grow in wisdom if we let Him. Ask God for wisdom this week as you care for others.

~ Read James 1:5-7

* “If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and He will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking. But when you ask Him, be sure that your faith is in God alone. Do not waver, for a person with divided loyalty is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is blown and tossed by the wind. Such people should not expect to receive anything from the Lord.”

* Peace

~ What are ways you have noticed panic, fear, and anxiety in this pandemic time?

~ What truths about God do you know that can help all of us stay peaceful? Pass on these truths to others as a way of caring for them.

~ Read John 14:27

* “I am leaving you with a gift: peace of mind and heart. The peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. Don’t be troubled or afraid.”

* Encouragement

~ Do you know people that are facing extra difficulties? Pray for them & reach out to them. Give them the encouragement to get through their struggles.

~ Offer encouragement this week in your home, through social media / online video gaming / digital communication, and by phone calls & letters.