

# WEEK 6 – ACTION STEPS

MARKETPLACE MISSION TRIP

## DAY 1 —

Read Luke 8:26-39

This is another version of the story of the man who wanted to go with Jesus. Jesus told him to stay. What do you notice that's different? The command is slightly different. Today, practice your answer to this question. Has anyone asked yet? Don't give up. Keep praying, doing what God tells you to do, and be ready to answer in the first person.

## DAY 2 —

Read 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Today, as you pray, ask God to show you where you need discipline. Then do what He says. Can you improve the quality of your work or refrain from gossip? Do you need to pray for people you don't particularly like? Ask God to show you. And make sure you follow through praying for others and doing things for them, too.

## DAY 3 —

Read Genesis 32:27-30 and Philippians 2:9-11

Do you remember names? Names are important to God and to us. You like to hear your name. Today, practice saying names more. If you need help remembering names, use them more, and you'll remember them better. Ask someone to tell you about their spouse or kids. Make notes too. Plan to ask about that person by name again tomorrow.

## DAY 4 —

Read Philippians 3:7-16

Give a gift or purchase snacks for the office again. In addition to praying for the people you will see, do something out of the ordinary for someone. Did you learn a new name or two yesterday? Make a point of saying their name in conversation. "Hey, Mike! How are you doing?" Then also mention what you talked about yesterday with him. If you forgot their name admit it and ask them to help you remember. Make plans to use names. The more intentional you are about remembering names, the easier it will get.

## DAY 5 —

Read Ephesians 3:14-21

This passage sums up the mission trip. According to God's riches, we are strengthened with his power through his Spirit (v.16). This is so Jesus would be present, or dwell with us in our hearts through faith. Our foundation is love— his love for us and our love for the brothers. Because of his love (v. 17) received by us and shown by us, we can understand our position (v. 18), know his love, and be filled. Our fullness in Christ is what others notice. That's our joy. When they see it, they will ask. Everyone wants that fullness that only Jesus offers. Meditate on this today as you pray for your friends and coworkers.