

IN THE WORLD



John 17:9-19

LESSON 5
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Connect timeless truths with today's news.

DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

Many of today's young people are keenly interested in committing their lives to careers that will actually do good in the world. A recent article published for Thompson Rivers University in British Columbia, Canada, highlights study programs the school offers that lead to jobs that aim to make people feel empowered "to enact change in the real world." These include degrees preparing students for careers as wildlife ecologists, social workers, health care assistants, or environmental scientists. We all want to know, the article says, that "what we do in our day-to-day lives has some positive impact on those around us."

GOOD NEWS FOR THE WORLD

Jesus' sermon in the synagogue in Nazareth officially launched His mission to proclaim good news to the world. The message He came to give would have positive impact in the context of first-century Israel, but His eyes were on the whole cosmos and into eternity. He came to set the oppressed free, in both the physical and spiritual realms. Jesus calls His followers to the same mission.

1. What opportunities do you have for bettering the world through your Christian witness?
2. If you had access to unlimited resources, how would you proclaim the gospel to the world?
3. How do you minister to people around you who don't seem to realize that they need to be set free from sin?

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Additional Resources

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Music Video, Traditional: "[Blessed Redeemer](#)"

Music Video, Multicultural: "[Oceans \(Where Feet May Fail\)](#)" by Bri Babineaux

Music Video, Contemporary: "[Everybody Is Broken](#)" by Martin Smith

[Guzik's Commentary on Luke 4](#)

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