

The 7 Commands of Christ

#1 – Repent & Believe

Mark 1:14-15

First Third: Look Back

- ♦ Pastoral care and prayer
- ♦ Goals from last week
- ♦ Vision Casting:

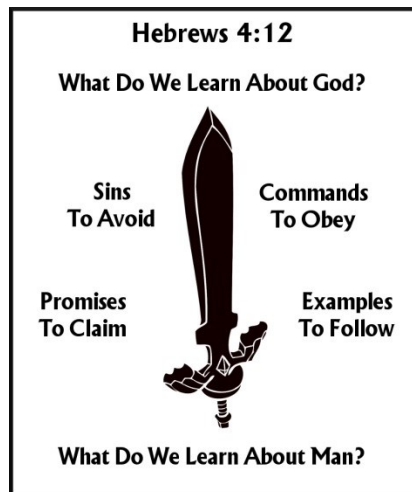
Up & In – Matt. 22:37-40

Out – Matt. 28:19-20, Acts 20:20



Second Third: Look In

- 1) What does repent mean?
- 2) What does believe mean?
- 3) Why should we repent?
Rom. 3:23; 6:23; 10:9-10
- 4) Who should repent?
Acts 2:38-41
- 5) What is assurance?
1 John 1:9; John 10:28



Final Third: Look Ahead

- ♦ Practice Your Story – One Story, One Minute, One Question

- 1) **One Story:** Write your story on a half sheet of paper—no more. Divide your story into three parts: Before Jesus' rule in your life, how you received His forgiveness for your sins and asked Jesus to rule in your life, and how you have changed since you surrendered to Him.
 - 2) **One Minute:** Share your story in one minute or less. Use the three chairs method.
 - 3) **One Question:** Ask the person you're sharing with this question: Do you want Jesus to call all the shots in your life? This one question is the essence of the good news.
 - ♦ Practice His Story – The Two Kingdoms
- 1) **Two Kingdoms:** There are two Kingdoms: The Kingdom of Darkness and the Kingdom of God. Most people think they are in a "Middle Kingdom," but there are only two: the Kingdoms of Darkness and God.
 - 2) **Two Kings:** Satan rules in the Kingdom of Darkness, but he will let you rule as well. That's his great deception. When you're the king, you're really in Satan's Kingdom. In the Kingdom of God, there's only one King: Jesus. No one else may rule in His Kingdom.
 - 3) **One Question:** Finally, ask the person which Kingdom they're in. If they're in Satan's Kingdom, ask them if they want Jesus to be their King. If they're in Jesus' Kingdom, ask them to join you in sharing this message.
 - ♦ Assigned Goal: Share your story or His story with 2 people this week.
 - ♦ Pray for the Spirit's power to apply this command and achieve your goal.