

MESSAGE NOTES

“Practical Teaching for Everyday Living”

LISTEN

How To BLESS Your Neighbor

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Olive Knolls Church exists to **make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ**. We do this by **building an attractive community** that makes disciples as we **REACH, GROW, SERVE, and GO!**

Series Recap - You are a _____ to be a _____. We are participating in the _____.



BEGIN WITH PRAYER - This includes **LISTENING** to _____.

Jesus was a LISTENER. - Luke 18:35-43; John 5:1-9

1. **PAY** _____

*As Jesus approached Jericho, **a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging**. 36 When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening. 37 They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.”*

*He called out, **“Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”** Luke 18:38*

*Those who led the way rebuked him and **told him to be quiet**, but he **shouted all the more**, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Luke 18:39*

_____ + _____ = **UNLOVED**

***Jesus stopped and ordered the man to be brought to him.** Luke 18:40*

Who do I NEED to give MORE OF MY ATTENTION? _____

2. START LISTENING TO _____ NOT JUST RESPOND

When he came near, Jesus asked him, **“What do you want me to do for you?”** Luke 18:41

_____ + _____ = LOVED

“Lord, I want to see,” he replied.

Luke 18:42 Jesus said to him, **“Receive your sight; your faith has healed you.”** 43 Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they also praised God.

FOUR H'S OF LISTENING

- _____ - Tell me your story. Where did you grow up?
- _____ - What's your favorite (team, restaurant, vacation spot, etc.)
- _____ - What do you like to do with your time?
- _____ - How are you doing with (name the situation)

3. LISTEN TO _____ AND _____

Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for a feast of the Jews. 2 Now there is in Jerusalem near **the Sheep Gate a pool,** which in Aramaic is called **Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades.** 3 Here **a great number of disabled people used to lie — the blind, the lame, the paralyzed.** John 5:1-3

One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus **saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time,** he asked him, **“Do you want to get well?”** John 5:4-6

“Sir,” the invalid replied, **“I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me.”** John 5:7

Then Jesus said to him, **“Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.”** 9 At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked. John 5:8

LISTENING FOR THE FOUR P'S OF PLACE

- _____ - What are the challenges and difficulties in this place?
- _____ - What is the local economy in this place?
- _____ - Who has the influence in this place?
- _____ - What do the people honor or celebrate in this place?