



In the wake of this pandemic, people are looking for hope. As followers of Christ, we have an incredible opportunity to share the hope we have in Jesus like never before. Here are some ways you can be a digital missionary and BLESS others while staying safe. BLESS is an acronym used to describe a relational way to share the love of Jesus with others in both word and deed. Here are some ways you can BLESS that one person God has put on your heart.

Begin with prayer	I will pray daily for specific people in my life who do not yet know Jesus.
Listen	I will listen to the stories of others and discover how God is at work in their lives.
Eat	I will intentionally share meals with people in my life who do not yet know Jesus.
Serve	I will respond to the needs of people who do not yet know Jesus and serve them as God leads.
Share	I will share the story of what Jesus has done in my life and how others can know Him.

Think of ONE person in your life who needs to know the good news of Jesus. Below is a daily guide for how you can BLESS your ONE who does not yet know Jesus while we are staying at home.

# MONDAY BEGIN WITH PRAYER

Many people are looking for the "good" in a time like this. Begin by asking God to reveal his goodness to your One. Pray that God would help them to:

**Know God**. *Pray Psalm 4:6* - Many are asking, "Who will show us some good?" Ask God to reveal his goodness to your friend, especially in light of the suffering around them.

**Know their sin**. *Pray Romans 3:23; 6:23* - Ask that God would reveal to your friend their sin and need of a Savior. Acknowledge that our current suffering and grief is real and painful, and there is hope both for our sin and suffering.

**Know and believe in Jesus**. *Pray Romans 5:8; 10:9* - Ask that God would help your friend understand and believe the gospel, finding hope for today in Christ and for the future.

Also, consider adding <u>fasting</u> to your prayer time. Fasting is a way for us to sacrifice our physical appetites and recognize our hunger and need for God. Refrain from eating a meal (or some other time-consuming activity) and <u>devote that time to pray for your One.</u>

#### Examples:

Fast from one of your meals Fast from TV for a day Fast from video games

## **TUESDAY**

#### **Reach Out and LISTEN**

Send your ONE a text and ask how their Monday was. You may already be texting them anyway, but be intentional about it.

Ask them how they are *really* doing with everything going on.

Depending on how close you are to your ONE, consider asking if there are ways you can pray for them.

Ask them if they would like to hangout tomorrow for a virtual meal or coffee.

If that's weird for you and your ONE, you could invite them to play a virtual game or trivia.

### WEDNESDAY

### **EAT** a virtual meal together

People are hungry for social interaction... pun intended. Here are some ideas to spend some virtual time together with your ONE.

- Have virtual coffee in the morning.
- Virtual lunch hangout during your lunch break at work.
- Double virtual dinner date if you're married.
- Virtual game night (Trivia, Charades, UNO...etc)

# **THURSDAY**

### **SERVE** your One

One of the best ways to show the love of Jesus to your ONE during this time is by serving them. Think of creative ways you can serve them and observe safe practices at the same time. Ask God to open your eyes to their needs.

#### Examples:

Drop off masks and gloves

Drop off toilet paper

Drop off fun things for their kids

Drop off their favorite candy

Drop off a tool they need for a project

## **FRIDAY**

#### **SHARE the Online Service**

**Invite** your friend to watch the online service that you will be watching.

**Explain** our new sermon series, The Church Has Left the Building, that will begin on 4/26/2020.

Be sure to **give** them the link and exact time that you will be watching the service.

Before you make the invite, pray and ask God to soften their hearts to simply say "yes."











# **SATURDAY**

### **SHARE your Story**

Make a short 3-5 minute video sharing how Jesus has changed your life and post it on Facebook or Instagram (1 Peter 3:15-16). Use the hashtag **#jesuschangedmylife** and tag Rich Fork Church. This is a great low pressure way to share your story of faith with your ONE and hundreds of others. Also, you can <u>use this guide to help you write</u> a 3-5 minute testimony and <u>this link on how to video your story</u>.

Search #jesuschangedmylife to see hundreds of examples!

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# **SUNDAY**

### **SHARE His Story**

Remind your friend what time you are watching the service, send them the link again and shoot them a text ten minutes before the service begins to tell them how you're excited that they're joining you! You may even want to share your thoughts on how church online has been for you.

Follow up by asking some of these questions within the hour after service:

- What did you think of the service?
- What stood out to you the most about what the pastor said?
- Where are you at in your relationship with God?
- Want to watch with me again next week?
- Would you be open to reading the Bible with me or coming to my Life Groups where we talk about what it means each week.
- Do you want to start your relationship with Jesus today?

### REMEMBER

Our job is to share the love of Jesus with others.

It is God's job to move in their life.

All we can do is to be faithful to share the love of Jesus with the people God puts in our life.

We must leave the results up to Him.









