



Let's Go Out

Focus Every believer has a mandate to introduce others to God.

Open Who told you about Jesus? What do you think would have happened to you if they hadn't?

Read In 2 Samuel 11:1–2, David ended up in sin with Bathsheba after he failed to “go out” to fight with the kings. If he'd gone out like he was supposed to, he wouldn't have been tempted nor had the opportunity to sin. Just as there is a time for us to “come in” to worship God, there is a time for us to “go out” and share the gospel with others.

Jesus told a parable in Luke 14:15–24 of a king's amazing banquet. Many who were invited, turned down the invitation, so the king called for his servants to “go out” and invite everyone to share in his feast. Today, as servants of God, we're still called to go out and invite others to come.

- Talk**
1. In 2 Samuel 11:1–2, it says that David *remained* in Jerusalem at the time when the kings *go out* to battle. He sent Joab out instead. What is the importance of “going out” when we're supposed to? What are the dangers if we don't?
 2. Read Luke 14:15–24.
 - a. What does the banquet represent?

- b. In this parable, Jesus makes it clear that all excuses *not* to join Him at His banquet are foolish and invalid. What modern-day reasons have you most commonly heard (or given) for not drawing near to Him when He calls?
- c. The king in the parable sends out His servants to bring others in to the banquet. What message was Jesus making through this story to those who were already His followers?

Live

1. What comes to mind when you think of the word “witness”? Is your first impression positive or negative? Why?
2. What does “witnessing” really mean?
3. What are some practical ways we can share our faith today—to invite people to the banqueting table?
4. If you were to give advice to someone who, when feeling impressed to share their faith questioned whether they were really “hearing God,” what would you say?

Pray

Ask the Lord to bring a person to your mind He would like you to share your faith with. Ask Him to help you see that person as He does. Pray that you would know when it’s time to “go out,” and to follow His lead. Ask Him to give you ideas for how to bring God’s love to others in a way that opens their heart to Him.

Pray for any needs represented in the group as well.