BE THE MESSAGE – PART 2 How to align your message with jesus'

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To the Greek philosophers, the logos was the impersonal, abstract principle of reason and order in the universe.

John 14:15-21 - "If you love me, you will obey what I command. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you <u>another Counselor to be with you</u> forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be <u>in you</u>. ¹⁸ I will <u>not leave you</u> as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him."

Big Idea: God is with us, in us and by us. His life is our life and our life is His life.

John 17:17-23 - <u>Sanctify</u> them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ <u>As you</u> <u>sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world.</u> ¹⁹ For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified. ²⁰ "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one: ²³ I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. *Big idea: We are set apart for His purpose. His purpose is our purpose and our purpose is His purpose.*

John 1:14 - The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

1. I MUST REVEAL MY ______ BEFORE I OPEN MY______ John 1:14 - **The Word became flesh** ...

1 John 4:18 - There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

1 John 4:18 - There is no room in love for fear. Well-formed love banishes fear. Since <u>fear is crippling</u>, a fearful life—fear of death, fear of judgment is one not yet fully formed in love. (MSG)

2. I MUST MOVE INTO ______. John 1:14 - **The Word became flesh and made his** <u>dwelling among us</u>.

John 1:14 - "The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood." (MSG)

I need to identify their needs.

I need to discover their dream.

3. I MUST ______ AND _____ IN GRACE AND TRUTH. John 1:14 - The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. "Kindness is the language the blind can see and the deaf can hear." Mark Twain

John 8:9-11 - At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. ¹⁰ Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" ¹¹ "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

Ephesians 4:15 - Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into Him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

4. I MUST CONNECT WITH CHRIST _____

John 1:14 ... We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father,...

John 5:17-19 - Jesus said to them, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I, too, am working." \dots ¹⁹ Jesus gave them this answer: "I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.

My "Be the Message" Challenge:

- Read chapters 1-3 in "*Be the Message*" hardback book on sale in lobby.
- Practice *The Divine Whisper* at the end of each chapter.
- Complete the section, *Love the One in Front of You*, at the end of each chapter to apply what you're learning.
- Take the 30 day challenge and/or
- Commit To 21 (21 minutes/21 days/21 chapters of John)