# **LEADING MEN TO CHRIST (THE WAY)**

John 14:5-10

#### INTRODUCTION:

- A. The majority of people in the world as well as in this community are still separated from God. These people need to be led to Christ
- B. Sin is what separates individuals from God Isa 59:1,2
  - 1. All have sinned Rom 3:23
  - 2. Wages of sin is death Rom 6:23 but gift of God is eternal life
- C. Christ said He is the way to the Father Jhn 14:6 (three weeks ago Don Miller presented a fine lesson on this)
- D. Today, I want to focus on how men are led to the Way DISCUSSION:

### I. GOD'S LOVE FOR MAN WILL LEAD MEN TO CHRIST

- A. God's love sent His Son Jhn 3:16
- B. God's love sends spiritual blessings in Christ Eph 1:3
- C. God's love makes Him longsuffering 2Pet 3:9
- D. Because of God's love man should want to come to God through Christ

#### II. GOD'S GOODNESS LEADS MEN TO CHRIST

- A. God's goodness leads men to repentance Rom 2:4
- B. Without repentance there is no remission and one will perish Acts 2:38; Lk 13:3
- C. Behold the goodness and severity of God disobedient cut off obedient grafted in Rom 11:22

# III. GOD'S PROMISES LEAD MEN TO CHRIST

- A. By great and precious promises, we are partakers of the divine nature 2Pet 1:4
- B. Promised victory through Christ 1Cor 15:57.58
- C. Christ's blood cleanses from sin 1Jhn 1:7,9
- D. God promised eternal life Rev 2:10; crown laid up 2Tim 4:7,8; rest from labor Rev 14:13

# IV. GOD'S BLESSINGS LEAD MEN TO CHRIST

- A. Blessing of prayer 1Pet 3:12 pray to God as our Father and He hears His children
- B. God hears and answers prayers of those who do His will and worship Him Jhn 9:31
  - 1. Sinner does not enjoy the blessing of being able to call on God as their Father
  - 2. Sinners prayers may be heard by God but not in the same way that God hears His children
- C. God has blessed us with hope in Christ 1Thess 4:13,18
- D. All spiritual blessings are in Christ Eph 1:3

### V. THE GOSPEL (POWER OF GOD TO SALVATION) LEADS MEN TO CHRIST Rom 1:16

- A. Apostles told to preach Gospel to world Mk 16:15,16; Matt 28:19.20
- B. Word of God is powerful Heb 4:12
- C. Gospel (word of God) is the only place we can learn about God's blessings, promises, goodness and His love for man
- D. We must then preach this Gospel and no other Gal 1:6-9

### VI. RIGHTEOUS LIVES LEAD MEN TO CHRIST

- A. Wives win husbands by godly living 1Pet 3:1
- B. We are epistles, written not with ink 2Cor 3:2,3 CONCLUSION:
  - A. It is our duty to lead men to Christ
  - B. By telling men of God's love for them, His goodness extended to them, the promises given by God, the blessings in Christ sent by God, and by living this each day we can bring them to Christ and remember, Christ is the way to the Father
  - C. The only way to tell people this is by learning first and then tell and show it to others as apostles were commanded to do and did
  - D. This is the only way that men can truly be led (converted) to Christ