# TRANSFORMED FOLLOWERS

#### Salvation is...

necessary because of our sin, motivated by God's love, purchased by Jesus' death on the cross, and received by faith.

- Necessary because of our sinful rebellion. (Romans 3:23)
- Motivated by God's love. (John 3:16)
- Purchased by Jesus' death on a cross. (John 14:6)
- **Received** by faith that Jesus Christ is your resurrected Savior. (Ephesians 2:8-9)

### You receive salvation through...

believing in Jesus, confessing your need for a Savior, repenting of your sins, surrendering and following Jesus.

- Believing in the person and work of Jesus. (John 6:47)
- **Confessing** your need for Jesus' redemptive work on the cross. (Luke 24:6-7)
- Repenting of your sins. (1 John 1:9)
- **Surrendering** your life to the authority of Jesus. (Galatians 2:20)
- A relationship with Jesus following His teachings for the rest of your life. (Matthew 16:24)

#### You follow Jesus by...

celebrating publicly through baptism, embracing a life of discipleship, living in biblical community, serving others, and sharing your story.

- Celebrating your salvation publicly through baptism. (Colossians 2:12)
- **Embracing** discipleship as a way of life compared to a one-time event. (Matthew 16:24)
- Living in a biblical community. (Acts 2:42-47)
- Serving others in our spiritual giftedness. (1 Peter 4:10-11)
- **Sharing** your story of ongoing transformation with others far from Jesus. (1 Peter 3:15)

## You share your story of salvation...

Remember with where you started, what caused you to recognize your need for God, when you encountered God, how you've changed, and why Jesus is worth following.

- Remember where you started. (Romans 3:23)
- What caused you to recognize your need for God? (Romans 3:23)
- When you first encountered God. (Romans 10:10)
- How you've changed. (Romans 6:4)
- Why Jesus is worth following. (John 10:10)

# A simple way to engage people in these conversations is to ask:

- How can I pray for you?
- Can I share what God is doing in my life?

#### Verses to memorize...

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." - Romans 6:23

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." - Matthew 6:33

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." - John 3:16

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." - Matthew 28:19-20

