# Steps to Christ Chapter 9 The Work in the Life

"The humblest and poorest of the disciples of Jesus can be a blessing to others. They may not realize they are doing any special work, but by their unconscious influence they may start waves of blessing that will widen and deepen, and the blessed results they may never know until the day of final reward." Steps to Christ, p. 83

I. Jesus—His Work and Life

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# Read Matthew 20:28; Luke 9:58; John 13:12-15; Acts 10:38

**Discussion Questions:** 

- 1. In what ways does the focus of Jesus' ministry differ from most people's in the present culture?
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
- 2. To you, what are some of the most outstanding good acts that Jesus did for others?

#### II. Our Work and our Life

Note: "When the love of Christ is enshrined in the heart like sweet fragrance, it cannot be hidden. Its holy influence will be felt by all with whom we come in contact. . . . Love to Jesus will be manifested in a desire to work as He worked for the blessing and uplifting of humanity." Steps to Christ, p. 77

### Read Matthew 22:30; Luke 6:27; Luke 6:35

**Discussion Questions:** 

- 3. What do you think it means to love our neighbor as ourselves?
- 4. Why is it necessary for us to love our enemies?
- 5. Where do you think is the hardest place to be a Christian?
- 6. Would your life be different if you were kind, "expecting nothing in return"?

#### III. The Good Samaritan – A Model

### **Read Luke 10:33-35**

**Discussion Question:** 

7. You have been asked to teach a Bible class on the Good Samaritan. What are four practical applications that you would make?

#### Chapter 10 A Knowledge of God

#### I. A Knowledge of God in Nature

There are two places where our knowledge of God may be increased. The first one is <u>nature</u>.

**Read Psalm 8:3-4; Psalm 23:6; Matthew 6:28-30** 

**Discussion Questions:** 

- 8. How do you think the study of nature can increase our knowledge of God?
- 9. What does the development of a lily have to do with the Christian life?
- 10. Share some of the things you have observed in nature that especially have made you think of God.
  - II. A Knowledge of God Through Scripture

# Read Psalm 119:9; Psalm 119:105

**Discussion Questions:** 

- 11. Explain what you think it means that the Bible is like a lamp?
- 12. Read Psalm 119:9 again. What is a key element in Scripture being able to change the life?

### Read Psalm 17:11; Isaiah 28:10

**Discussion Questions:** 

- 13. How did the believers in Thessalonica use the Scriptures?
- 14. What do you think it means, "line upon line, precept upon precept"?

# Read John 5:39; John 6:53 and 63

**Discussion Questions:** 

- 15. What do believe Jesus means when He said that this scripture was about Him?
- 16. How is the Bible "spirit and life"?