



Part Three: Let's Be Human Again // Jeff Brodie // March 20, 2022

Listening and sharing go hand in hand. To share your story in an authentic and meaningful way, you first need to listen to where the other person is at. When you look at the life of Jesus, he spent much of his life making time to listen to the people he interacted with. Not because it was convenient, but because it gave him the opportunity to bless people. Jesus chose authentic engagement over efficiency, time and time again.

Scripture: [John 3:1-17 NLT](#); [Romans 10:13-14 NLT](#)

Getting Started:

1. Do you find it easy or difficult to listen to the other person in a conversation? Why do you think that is?
2. What is one of your favourite stories to tell? Consider sharing it with the group.
3. Jeff shared the idea that not only can we listen to people, but we can listen to places. Have you ever considered listening to the places you regularly find yourself in? Why or why not?

Discuss:

4. When was the last time you felt listened to, known, and even loved? What was so special about that experience?
5. Read [John 3:1-17](#).
 - a. What stands out to you as you read this passage?
 - b. What does this passage teach about the importance of being available when people have questions about faith?
 - c. If you are familiar with John 3:16, when did you first understand the meaning of this verse?

6. Read [Romans 10:13-14](#).
 - a. When you think about telling others about Jesus, what reservations do you have?
 - b. How does this passage challenge you to move beyond your reservations?
7. If someone were to casually ask you, "What is different about how you live your life with Jesus?", how would you respond?

Moving Forward:

In summarizing this series, Jeff shared the following acrostic:

Begin with prayer

Listen

Eat

Serve

Share your story

As you look at your week ahead, think about how you can be intentional to B.L.E.S.S. someone in your life. Which action will be most difficult for you? Which comes the most naturally for you? How so? Consider sharing with your group so you can be in prayer for each other as you look to be a blessing to those around you.