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At Connexus Church, our heart beats for those yet to be reached. With over 450,000 in Simcoe County not attending church, our mission is urgent and clear. The FOR Them initiative is our bold response to God's call, a transformative journey to extend his love and grace to every corner of our community and beyond so that more people would know Jesus. FOR Them isn't just about buildings or programs; it's about people—and every "one" matters to God.

Scripture: Luke 15:1-7 NLT; Luke 19:10 NLT

Bottom Line: They matter to you, they matter to us, and they matter to God.

Discussion:

- 1. Share a time when you lost something that was important to you. What did you do?
- 2. Read <u>Luke 15:1-7</u> together. What significance does the concept of being "lost" hold in relation to our spiritual journey and the mission of reaching others?
- 3. Have you ever experienced a moment where your heart expanded in empathy and understanding toward someone who was spiritually searching? How did that experience impact you?
- 4. What does it mean for our hearts to be both open and generous, and how can we better cultivate these qualities in our lives and interactions with others?
- 5. How can we create a culture within our church community that prioritizes those individuals who are searching and seeking spiritual connection?
- 6. Reflect on <u>Luke 19:10</u>. What difference does it make to know that Jesus came with a singular focus to "seek and save the lost"?
- 7. Do you have someone in your life currently whom God has called you to be FOR? How can you grow that relationship and help them to encounter God in a real way?

Moving Forward:

This week, commit to going on this four-week FOR Them journey and begin to pray that God would bring people into your life to be FOR. If you haven't already done so, sign up for the daily devotional by texting CONNEXUS to (289) 819-2065.