

**Lost Cause | Week 5 - How Your Story can Bless the World****Message Big Idea**

When we live out the B.L.E.S.S. practices, we will revive evangelism and the lost will find their way back to God.

**Scripture**

John 9:1-34 and Genesis 12:1-3

**Points to Keep In Mind**

1. You can find this entire series, “Lost Cause”, on [rightnowmedia.com](http://rightnowmedia.com), complete with compelling video from our very own Dave Ferguson, and additional study material for you to use in your group if you’d like. Rightnowmedia is an excellent resource for small groups and is free to all COMMUNITY attenders. Each of your group members can register at [communitychristian.org/rightnowmedia](http://communitychristian.org/rightnowmedia) to enjoy all of its benefits.
2. The blind man’s faith seems to grow as he shares what his life was like before he met Jesus, how he met Jesus, and then how his life changed after meeting Jesus.
3. Some instances of other divine callings in the Bible are Noah (Genesis 6:5-22), Moses (Exodus 3:7-4:18), Joshua (Joshua 1:1-18), Esther (Esther 4:1-17, 9:1) and Mary (Luke 1:26-38)
4. God has blessed the Jews (Acts 3:25) and the Gentiles alike (Galatians 3:8-9) by turning them from their sin and justifying them through their saving faith in Jesus.
5. Each week of this series, we have highlighted simple practices that help us join Jesus in his mission of seeking and saving the lost. We call these the B.L.E.S.S. practices. The B stands for Begin with prayer. The L stands for Listen. The E stands for Eat. The first S is Serve and the second is Story. You have a story that others need to hear!

**Additional Questions and Resources**

1. Where do you see God at work in your life right now?
2. What next steps do you feel called to take in your faith journey?
3. Have you considered getting baptized? [communitychristian.org/baptism](http://communitychristian.org/baptism)
4. What have you been learning from the Community Daily? [communitychristian.org/daily](http://communitychristian.org/daily)
5. If someone is seeking professional counseling, you can always refer them to our resource page: [communitychristian.org/mentalhealth](http://communitychristian.org/mentalhealth)
6. Find out more about having a YOU+ conversation by visiting: [youplus.info](http://youplus.info)