

# Grander Vision Living

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**Review:**

**1. Walk across the room** to give people *"The Single Greatest Gift"* an introduction to their creator and lover of their souls, God himself.

**2. Living in 3D... Develop friendships- Discover stories-Discern next steps**

**3. The Power of Story... God's story... Our story**

Today,,, **Grander Vision Living**

**Snorkeling and pop a gopher**

**Luke 5:1-11**

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**2 Corinthians 5:17-20** ... anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has *given us this task of reconciling people to him.* ... he *gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation.* So *we are Christ's ambassadors;* God is *making his appeal through us.* We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!" NLT

**Philemon 1:6** I pray that you may be *active in sharing your faith,* so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.

**1. The priority is people**

**Matthew 5:16** In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, *so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.*

**Matthew 5:16** Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, *you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven.* **Msg**

**Luke 19:10** (Jesus)... came to seek and save *those who are lost.*"

**John 3:16** "For *God loved the world so much that he gave* his one and only Son, so that *everyone who believes in him* will not perish but have eternal life. NLT

## 2. The focus is on potential

**Jeremiah 29:11** For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "***plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.***

**Ephesians 3:20** God can do anything, you know—***far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams!*** He does it not by pushing us around but ***by working within us, his Spirit deeply and gently within us.***

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**Luke 5:27-32** After this he went out and saw a man named Levi at his work collecting taxes. Jesus said, "Come along with me." And he did—***walked away from everything and went with him.*** Levi gave a large dinner at his home for Jesus. Everybody was there, tax men and other disreputable characters as guests at the dinner. The Pharisees and their religion scholars came to his disciples greatly offended. "What is he doing eating and drinking with crooks and 'sinners'?" Jesus heard about it and spoke up, "Who needs a doctor: the healthy or the sick? I'm here ***inviting outsiders***, not insiders—***an invitation to a changed life, changed inside and out.***"

## 3. Start small

**Luke 5:29** ***Levi gave a large dinner at his home*** for Jesus. Everybody was there, tax men and other disreputable characters as guests at the dinner.

***Listened/ was interested***

***Invited***

***Cared***

***Prayed***

***Accepted as I was***

***Believed***