

JULY 8

“WE’RE SUPPOSED TO BE COMFORTED BUT NOT COMFORTABLE.”

READ

Matthew 5:14-16, Acts 1:8

You’re not a victim if you know Jesus. We are here to deliver the people who are victims. We’re here to sing the songs that glorify Jesus. We’re here to tell His story. We’re here to give witness of His faithfulness in our own lives. Jesus reminded His apostles, “When I’m gone, I’ll send the Holy Spirit to you. And then this Holy Spirit will allow you to take my message to the uttermost parts of the earth.” Now, it’s easy to be comfortable within the confines of our church: padded seats, enjoyable music, encouraging Bible studies, our friends. But that can’t be the extent of our Christianity. Jesus saved us to go out. We’re supposed to take church to them. We’re supposed to be living dangerous lives. We’re supposed to make and have relationships with our neighbors, with people who don’t know Him. It’s our time to share Jesus. When He was on earth, He said, “I’m the light of the world.” But then Jesus left earth and said that now we are the light of the world. He gives this responsibility to us.

PRAY

Thank You for the church, founded by You, given to us. We are Your body — Your hands, mouth, and feet to the world, doing what You would be doing if You were physically here. May I go out today and “let my light so shine before men.”

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