



Live for the Fame of His Name! Following in the Footsteps of Jesus Justus

Lesson 6 • Colossians 4:11

Colossians 4:7-18 reminds us that our ministry to others is the overflow of our relationship with Christ. 12 people are mentioned by name. Each one sought to **make their mark for eternity**. We are **following in the footsteps of those who fulfilled their ministries**, so we too can make our mark for eternity!

Follow in the Footsteps of Justus ~ Colossians 4:10-11

_____ : Live for the Fame of Christ's Name!

A Man Who Made His Mark: Jesus Justus = "The LORD is Salvation" and "Righteous"

- Jesus Justus is mentioned **only once** in the Bible, though there are three different men named Justus in the NT.

- 1) **Joseph Barsabbas** (Son of Rest) **Justus** (Acts 1:23)
- 2) **Titus Justus** (Acts 18:7)
- 3) **Jesus Justus** (Colossians 4:11)

- Like so many Jewish people at this time, Justus had a Jewish name and a Roman (Latin) name.

- Jesus Justus' name _____ the fame of God's name!

*"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name **Jesus**, for he will save his people from their sins."* Matthew 1:21

*"Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. **For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.**"* 2 Corinthians 5:20-21

How Did Justus Make His Mark When No One Really Knows Who He Is?

He lived for the fame of _____ and not his own!

Justus was unashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Therefore, he was willing to lose himself in working for God's Kingdom

Make Your Mark: Live for the Fame of His Name!

Be Unashamed to...

1. **Become a** _____ : **Make the Great Exchange.** "Jesus who is called Justus"

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The Question Is Not

*Should we be serving Christ through our local church? The question is **WHERE** and **HOW** will I serve?*

The Question Really Is

*Am I truly saved? Am a Christ Follower or just a fan? Those who are truly saved, get involved in ministry out of a heart of gratitude for having received the **GREAT EXCHANGE!***

2. **Become a** _____ : **Get in the Game.** "my fellow workers"

- 1) Ministry is _____.
- 2) Ministry is _____.
- 3) Ministry is _____.

3. **Become a _____: Share Christ Across Cultural, Social, and Racial Barriers.**

"These are the only men of the circumcision among my fellow workers"

Being a Bridge Builder that Crosses Barriers Is Never Popular...

- 1) Often it means being _____ by **unbelieving** people ~ 2 Corinthians 11:24-28
- 2) Often it means being _____ by **believing** people ~ Philippians 1:15-21

4. **Become _____: Invest in Building God's Kingdom and Not Your Own.**

"for the kingdom of God"

- 1) The Kingdom of God and His Son is **bigger** than **any nationally, any country, any language**. Revelation 5:9-10
- 2) Christ's 1st Coming **revealed the Servant-King, who began to call His subjects to repentance**. Acts 28:23; Col 1:11-14
- 3) Christ's 2nd Coming will **fully reveal the Sovereign-King, His saved subjects, and His sovereign rule over the entire realm!** Book of Revelation

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Colossians 3:1-4

5. **Become _____: Encourage Others to Live for the Fame of His Name.**

"and they have been a comfort to me."

*Even though it **always** means dying to self and **might** mean dying in this life.*

Make Your Mark: Follow in the Footsteps of Jesus Justus and Live for the Fame of His Name!

Be Unashamed to Share the Gospel with All Peoples!

Am I a Christ Follower? **Make the Great Exchange!**

Am I a Team Player? **Get into the Game!**

Am I a Bridge Builder? **Share Christ Across Cultural, Social, and Racial Barriers!**

Am I Kingdom-Minded? **Invest in Building God's Kingdom and Not Your Own!**

Am I Unashamed? **Encourage Others to Live for the Fame of Christ's Name!**

