



WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

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1. We were born to make a _____ in the lives of others.

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10; Matthew 5:16

The Lord turned to him and said, "Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian's hand. Am I not sending you?" Judges 6:14

- You are placed in a _____ to change the world.**

From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. Ephesians 4:16

2. We all have to get rid of our _____ and _____.

"Pardon me, my lord," Gideon replied, "but how can I save Israel? My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family." Judges 6:15

But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.

II Corinthians 4:7

*But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my **weaknesses**, so that Christ's power may rest on me. II Corinthians 12:9*

3. Impact requires _____.

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." Matthew 16:24

⁴⁰ Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹ The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). ⁴² And he brought him to Jesus. . . ⁴⁶ "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. John 1:40-42a, 46

Next Steps – I'M IN, Week Four

- ☐ Ask God to use you to make a difference in the life of others.
- ☐ Pray for those who are within your reach who need Jesus.
- ☐ Invite a friend to meet you at church next Sunday.
- ☐ Check the connection card for information about our next Baptism Celebration.