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Sunday, October 16, 2016

**“REACHING OUT TO YOUR RELATIONAL WORLD”**

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It’s Week 5 of our *Be the Church* Challenge. In the first church, in Acts 2, we find a people relentlessly devoted to reaching the spiritually lost people around them. The church loved Jesus and loved one another. Those priorities moved them to have a compassion for the spiritually lost and a passion to tell them about their Savior, Jesus.

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*“But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion ...” (Luke 15:20, ESV).*

*“...ran and embraced him and kissed him” (Luke 15:20, ESV).*

*“I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants” (Luke 15:19, ESV).*

*“The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son’” (Luke 15:21, ESV).*

*“But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him” (Luke 15:22, ESV).*

*“Put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet” (Luke 15:22, ESV).*

*“And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate”* (Luke 15:23, ESV).