#### THE CITY #6 Kenny Luck

"This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I glorified You on the earth, having accomplished the work which You have given Me to do. Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have come to know that everything You have given Me is from You; for the words which You gave Me I have given to them; and they received them and truly understood that I came forth from You, and they believed that You sent Me.

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"God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him." John 3:17 NLT

SALVATION IS A MATTER OF ...

GOD'S WAY AHEAD OF YOU

"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end." Ecclesiastes 3:11 NIV

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"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone." *Colossians 4:2-6 NIV* 

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IN MY CITY ... SOULS NEED REACHING THROUGH GOD'S SPIRIT WORKING IN ME

#### THE HOLY SPIRIT \_

"Suppose one of you had a hundred sheep and lost one. Wouldn't you leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the lost one until you found it? When found, you can be sure you would put it across your shoulders, rejoicing, and when you got home call in your friends and neighbors, saying, 'Celebrate with me! I've found my lost sheep!' Count on it—there's more joy in heaven over one

sinner's rescued life than over ninety-nine good people in no need of rescue."

Luke 16:4-6 MSG

### THE HOLY SPIRIT

"When the Friend I plan to send you from the Father comes—the Spirit of Truth issuing from the Father—he will confirm everything about me. You, too, from your side must give your confirming evidence, since you are in this with me from the start." John 15:26-27 MSG

### THE HOLY SPIRIT

"For we must all stand before Christ to be judged. We will each receive whatever we deserve for the good or evil we have done in this earthly body. Because we understand our fearful responsibility to the Lord, we work hard to persuade others." 2 Corinthians 5:10-11 NLT

# THE HOLY SPIRIT

"When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands

condemned." John 16:8-11 NIV

## THE HOLY SPIRIT

"You'll remember, friends, that when I first came to you to let you in on God's sheer genius, I didn't try to impress you with polished speeches and the latest philosophy. I deliberately kept it plain and simple: first Jesus and who he is; then Jesus and what he did—Jesus crucified. I was unsure of how to go about this, and felt totally inadequate—I was scared to death, if you want the truth of it—and so nothing I said could have impressed you or anyone else. But the Message came through anyway. God's Spirit and God's power did it, which made it clear that your life of faith is a response to God's power, not to some fancy mental or emotional footwork by me or anyone else." 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 MSG

FROM FEAR TO FREEDOM...LETTING JESUS LOOSE

Peter, full of the Holy Spirit, let loose: "Rulers and leaders of the people, if we have been brought to trial today for helping a sick man, put under investigation regarding this healing, I'll be completely frank with you—we have nothing to hide. By the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, the One you killed on a cross, the One God raised from the dead, by means of his name this man stands before you healthy and whole. Jesus is 'the stone you masons threw out, which is now the cornerstone.' Salvation comes no other way; no other name has been or will be given to us by which we can be saved, only this one." Acts 4:8-12 MSG

#### For discussion:

WHY IS GOD'S EXAMPLE OF SHOWING UP IN PERSON SO IMPORTANT FOR THIS DISCUSSION?

SHOULD KNOWING GOD IS "AHEAD OF YOU" IMPACT OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD EVANGELISM? WHICH ASPECT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT'S WORK HELPS YOU MOST? WHY? WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THE HOLY SPIRIT MOVED GOD'S MEN FROM FEAR TO FREEDOM IN YOUR CITY OR COMMUNITY?