Bruce Coble - ROMEO Leaders Guide Salvation

Key Takeaways:

- 1. Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10)
- 2. We are all lost without Christ, like sheep who have gone astray (Isaiah 53:6)
- 3. Christ rescues us from the dominion of darkness and transfers us to His kingdom (Colossians 1:13)
- 4. Jesus is our advocate and rescuer, offering us hope and eternal life

Discussion Questions:

- 1. The pastor used the analogy of WWII pilots some had hope of rescue, others didn't. How does this relate to our spiritual condition without Christ?
- 2. Reflect on the story of Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10). How does Jesus' interaction with him demonstrate His mission to seek and save the lost?
- 3. The sermon described Christ coming into "enemy territory" to rescue us. How does this image impact your understanding of salvation?
- 4. Discuss the transformation described in Colossians 1:13. What does it mean to be transferred from darkness to Christ's kingdom?
- 5. How does the story of Jimmy Gentry and the Austrian soldier illustrate the concept of having an advocate? How is this similar to or different from Christ's advocacy for us?
- 6. The pastor emphasized being either "lost" or "found." Why is this distinction important in understanding the gospel message?

Practical Applications:

- 1. Take time this week to reflect on your own "rescue story." How has Christ changed your life?
- 2. Identify one person in your life who may be "lost" and commit to praying for their salvation daily.
- 3. Practice sharing your testimony in 2-3 minutes, focusing on how Christ rescued you from darkness.
- 4. Memorize Colossians 1:13 as a reminder of your new identity in Christ's kingdom.
- 5. Look for opportunities to be an "advocate" for others this week, showing Christ's love in practical ways.
- 6. If you haven't been baptized since coming to faith, consider taking that step as a public declaration of your rescue by Christ.

Closing Prayer:

Thank God for His rescue mission through Christ. Pray for those who are still lost and for opportunities to share the hope we have in Jesus.