

FOR THE SAKE OF HIS NAME



Listening Guide

BIG IDEA

You are the offering!

KEY SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:1 — Present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God; this is your spiritual worship.

3 John 5–8 — Support those who go out for the sake of the Name.

SERIES CLOSING THEME

Worship → Surrender → Mission → Obedience

THE CALL: FROM BRINGING AN OFFERING TO BECOMING THE OFFERING

You cannot separate worship of God from the way you live. God is interested in more than what we bring in our hands—He is interested in the people bringing it. The call is first about someone God wants: you.

“Genesis 4: I bring God an offering. Romans 12: I become the offering.”

“You cannot separate my worship of God from the way I live my life.”

RESPONSE ONE — HERE I AM. I PRESENT MYSELF.

Present your actual life to God: your hands, feet, voice, energy, time, abilities, work, relationships, resources, and future. Worship is more than what happens in the room; it is everything you are becoming available to God.

Mercy comes before sacrifice. Grace comes before surrender. Jesus comes before our response. God has already shown us mercy, given us Jesus, forgiven us, and called us His own.

“He wants the person singing the song.”

“Here I am. Jesus, I give myself to You. That’s worship.”

RESPONSE TWO — SEND ME. I MAKE MYSELF AVAILABLE.

A living sacrifice has feet, and surrendered feet go wherever God sends them. Believers went out “for the sake of the Name” (3 John 7)—not for adventure or admiration, but because Jesus is worthy to be known.

The Mexico mission team illustrated ordinary followers of Jesus saying yes to an assignment. Mexico was their assignment; surrender is the call. Some go across the world; others walk across the street, serve in a classroom, hospital, office, business, neighborhood, or home.

“Different assignments. Same surrender.”

“A living sacrifice has feet. And surrendered feet say: SEND ME.”

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RESPONSE THREE — USE ME. I MOVE IN SURRENDER.

Throughout the series, surrender has moved people to act: the Good Samaritan crossed the road; friends in Capernaum carried the mat and overcame obstacles; the church at Antioch sent Barnabas and Saul; believers went out for the sake of the Name; and the team went to Mexico.

“Over and over again: SURRENDER MOVES.”

Obedience is more than a response to a sermon. It happens when God shows you someone and you cross the road; when someone needs carrying and you pick up the mat; when the Holy Spirit speaks and you say yes; when generosity costs something; when serving is inconvenient; and when God’s assignment interrupts your plans.

“OBEDIENCE HAPPENS MONDAY.”

“Don’t come because you were moved by a sermon. Come because you’re willing to be moved by God.”

WHAT THIS MOVEMENT MEANS

The response is a declaration of surrender—not an attempt to earn God’s favor or make another sacrifice for sin. Jesus has already accomplished what no altar could. By God’s mercy, we make our lives available and return to ordinary life ready to offer ourselves to Him.

HERE I AM. SEND ME. USE ME.

IMPORTANT SUPPORTING SCRIPTURES

- Romans 12:1 — Present yourselves as a living sacrifice.
- 3 John 5–8 — Support those who go for the sake of the Name.
- Genesis 4 — Cain and Abel’s offerings; worship and responsibility for others.
- The Good Samaritan; the friends who carried the mat; the church at Antioch sending Barnabas and Saul (as referenced in the series recap).

MISSION CONNECTION

The call is not simply to go somewhere; it is to belong completely to someone—Jesus. Every follower has the same call to surrender, though assignments differ. God sends His people into homes, workplaces, schools, neighborhoods, communities, and across the world for the sake of His name.

CLOSING RESPONSE

Present yourself to God and respond: “Here I am. Send me. Use me.” Make yourself available for the assignment God gives, then live that surrender in everyday obedience.

FINAL DECLARATION

“The series is ending. The call is beginning.”

Today, you are the offering.

“For the sake of His name—may the Holy Spirit empower you for your assignment.”

CLOSING PRAYER — FOR THE SAKE OF HIS NAME

Father, we bring You ourselves. Our hands, feet, minds, abilities, resources, homes, careers, and futures are Yours. Send us wherever You desire. Give us eyes to see those who need help, courage to cross the road, ears to hear the Holy Spirit, and faith to obey. Empower us for the assignments You have prepared. May our lives honor Jesus. By Your mercies, here we are. Send us. Use us. Help us live the surrender we declared today—for the person, the community, the world You love, and above everything else, for the sake of Your name. In Jesus’ name, amen.