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For all those in ministry sharing the same problem I am addressing, here is my advice based on what I have learned. Remember that you are not alone in the battle. God has seen His people reject Him and move away from Him repeatedly. He perseveres with His love and never gives up on us. From what I have read in Scripture, God always has a remnant of people who remain true and devoted to Him. The enemy wishes to separate us from fellowship with God and convince us that we are alone and unseen by God. This is always untrue, and we can reject that lie. So, my first nugget to share is that your work matters, and you matter to God. Always and without fail, He is with you.

As we seek to re-ignite devotion among believers, it is important that we do not take up an offense against them for their lack of devotion. Each of us have our moments of losing focus and it is important that we empathize with them. We must keep our focus on sharing our love for them rather than becoming strident voices that condemn their actions. The analogy that we are just beggars showing other beggars where bread can be found is useful to keep us grounded as we seek to lead them to the Father. God is patient with us and we need to emulate His behavior.

I have also learned to be satisfied with one person. It is easy to fall into a pursuit of numbers and having an impact with a large number of people. Jesus certainly had amazing impact during His time on Earth, but He took time for individuals. He sought people out and listened to their stories. He ate and drank with them in their homes. He shared truth but conveyed His love for them. I believe I can start a world-changing movement by discipling one person to become a disciple-maker. I do not need to work about the speed that the movement grows, or the ultimate number of people impacted. I can trust God to handle the big picture. I just need to live humbly before and earnestly invest in one person. As you seek to minister to others and grow disciples,

remember that each person is a treasure to God and treat them accordingly. They are worthy of your singular focus.