Contagious Christian Living

(Matthew 5:13-16)

Introduction: 1.

- 1. Usually, the term "contagious" has a negative connotation.
- 2. Contagious simply means that something is transmissible.
- 3. What gives it a negative connotation is that we usually speak of it with reference to disease.
- 4. However, are there not many good things that are and that we could wish were contagious?
- 5. In this lesson, let's examine some things that we can do that will help make Christianity contagious.

I. Becoming Contagious Christians

- A. People sometimes thing that being contagious involves, size, money, entertainment, theatrics, etc.
- B. However, we may never become a "mega-church," but we can be a contagious church.
- C. Three principles that are contagious:
 - 1. Be Amazed at the Glory of God.
 - 2. Be Transformed by the Love of Jesus.
 - 3. Be Yielded to the Word of God.

II. How Jesus Drew People To Him

- A. Jesus talked "to" people, not "at" them (John 4:7).
- B. Jesus turned ordinary conversations to spiritual conversations (John 4:10, 13-14).
- C. Jesus gave people reason to follow Him (John 4:13-14).
- D. Jesus didn't force Himself on another (John 4:26-28).
- E. Jesus created intentional encounters (John 4:4).

Conclusion:

- 1. May we so live that our lives are a reflection of the Son of God.
- 2. With a greater awareness of how blessed we are, we can be contagious to those with whom we come in contact.