PROSPECTIVE TEAM MEMBERS

CHRISTIAN IN THE WORLD

Purpose of the Talk: This is the last formal talk. The speaker should begin by quickly reviewing the themes of the three days: to die with Christ, to rise with Christ, to go with Christ. Most of the Residents are anxious to be active Christians, but they have some hesitation because of the obstacles they know will have to be faced. This talk should be an encouragement to them. The speaker should tell them in a practical way: "It can be done one day at a time, and I'm trying to do it. Some days are better and easier than others." Identify and offer truthful examples and methods they can become involved in such as groups and other opportunities to "get involved." Identify simple things and servant roles of service in the church.

Points to Covet

- 1. Every single task and behavior we perform in service and response to God is to His glory.
- 2. These responses allow Him to work through us as an example for others to follow
- 3. Thus He can use each one of us as a leader/servant/ worker in His world

Suggested Approaches:

- 1. It begins with small things like a smile, a kind word. It is a process which will grow into more.
- 2. Don't "expect" it to all happen at once
- 3. We are to plant the seeds
- 4. It is not going to always be easy
- 5. These will be a blessing both to you and to others you come into contact with
- 6. Where you are is not "who" you are
- 7. Bruce Carroll wrote in a song: Wounded people everywhere. And when they look at us, do they see Jesus there? Who will be Jesus to them?
 - Who'll show love that restores them again?
 - Oh, they do not need a judge, they need a friend
 - Who will be Jesus to them?
- 8. For most people it is not what they think they are that holds them back It is what they think they are not.
- 9. Satan does not care how good your intentions are, so long as they are focused on "tomorrow"
- 10. Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did. (Mark Twain)

Suggested Scriptures:

Jeremiah 31.34 I will forgive their sins and I will no longer remember their wrongs. I, the Lord have spoken.

Matthew 11:29-30 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from Me...My yoke is easy and my burden is light