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### First Steps

They may be small, but a toddler's first steps are cheered, photographed, and remembered as monumental. Pentecost was a BIG first step for the church, a step we continue to celebrate. But what is God's end game? On that day when 3000 people were baptized, God envisioned the day when every person in the world would know they are loved by God.

What are my "first steps" in that process by which God would "make disciples of all nations" (Matt. 28:19)? I believe it is to work to learn more and more of who God is and to have an interest in in YOUR story, whoever YOU may be. It is to realize in my heart the depth of the love God has for each and every person. I am learning to ask people to tell me their story. It helps me appreciate them and gives opportunity for me to see how God might love them through me. That brings us one step closer to EVERY knee bowing at the name of Jesus.

God, teach us to take first steps and celebrate them. AMEN.

Eyes on Jesus,  
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