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On a hike a couple found themselves at a crossroads, should we go left, or right? As with most nature hikes there was no map available other than at the head of the trail closest to the parking lot. They hadn't considered taking a picture when they began, because after all, they knew exactly where they were going. After hiking for more than an hour they became lost. What they had thought were well worn trails were actually game trails leading to nowhere but the small river running through the park.

Eventually, a man on a kayak came by to offer some help to the distressed couple. He told them exactly how to get out of the park by following the river back. The couple was quite relieved and elated when they reached their destination.

Jesus refers to himself when He states, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6). Throughout life we think we know exactly where we are going but fail to open the map — the Bible. We become easily turned around and misled by some well-meaning and not so well-meaning people.

We think we know the way, but if we aren't seeking after and reading about who Christ is, do we really know? God's Word has so much to teach us about how to handle the journey of this life. *All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work* (2 Timothy 3:16–17).

For generations God has used individuals, such as the prophets, priests, Christ, and the apostles to show the truth of who God is, and what God desires for His people. Where might God be calling you to show the truth to someone else in love, like the man on the kayak pointing the couple back to safety?

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