

## **But I Thought...**

### **Ready:**

"That if you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

-Romans 10:9

### **Set**

I just returned for a powerful FCA weekend retreat at the FCA National Conference Center in Marshall, Ind. God was alive and well and moved among the college students who attended. Kenn Kington did a great job of presenting the gospel and offered an invitation on Saturday night to accept the Lord for the first time. No show of hands. No "Just as I am." Just men and women making things right with their Creator during this special time. Kington encouraged all who made a decision to tell others about praying to invite Jesus into their hearts.

The next morning during our Huddle time, one of the young men shared how a teammate of his gave his life to the Lord, but he was surprised. He thought since this young man came to FCA that he was a believer.

This reminds me of a time when I was in college and did the same thing. My junior year I got close to a person named Dave. Dave played football and was an all-around good person. He went to church and chapel, and he prayed for before his meals. Of course, he was a believer, I thought. But not so fast. Dave and I spent much time playing cards together and over the course of the semester, I learned that Dave was a good person, but not committed to a relationship with Jesus Christ. I had just assumed.

Dave went to Florida for Spring Break that year and came back a changed man. He told me how he finally understood what it meant to be a follower of Jesus Christ and how his sister led him to the Lord. How dumb did I feel?

One week later, Dave and my good friend Jon went for a joy ride in Dave's classic car. This ride turned fatal, and Dave was killed in an accident. If it had not been for his sister over the break, Dave would have been lost for eternity.

Like the teammate at the retreat, or me many years ago, many people assume that Huddle friends are believers like them. But do they really know? Do YOU really know? If not, what are you waiting for? Find out for sure! Don't wait until it's too late. Good thing for Dave and this new follower from the retreat, they made room for Jesus to come in and take over their hearts. Please take time to find out where your Huddle members stand. And if they don't know for sure, point them to Romans 10:9. There is always room for one more!

### **Go**

1. When was the last time you asked someone if they knew Jesus as Lord and Savior of their life?
2. Do you assume one of your friends is a believer in Jesus Christ? Do you know for sure?
3. Do YOU need to stop and ask the Lord into your heart right now? If so, He is ready to listen!

### **Workout**

Acts 4:10-12

Matthew 4:18-19

John 14:6

**Bible Reference:**

Romans 10



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