

# REAL LIFE SAN DIEGO

WITH CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST

*"So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people, 'Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?'...Many Samaritans from the town believed in him because of the woman's testimony."  
~John 4: 28-29,39*

## Jessica's Story...

"I grew up as an only child with an abusive father in almost every way possible. When I was little my parents divorced and a few years later, my stepfather, who was closer to me than I ever have been to my dad, died of cancer. I started to put walls up and didn't let people into my life to the point where I could get hurt. When my high school boyfriend of three years and I broke up I didn't even cry. I was unable to love. And I didn't care. A friend brought me to church in high school and it was the first time I heard about a Jesus who truly loves us, despite our ugliness. One week during worship it was like He broke down my walls and really started to penetrate my heart. It felt like a wave crashing in and I couldn't stop it. I'm not standing up here to say that I'm better than you and I hope you don't see me like that. I just want you to know how much God loves you. Jesus doesn't ask us to come to him as perfect people, I mean, He hung out with the prostitutes and truly loved them. I never thought I'd be able to love my dad, but God has given me the strength to forgive him, look him in the eye, and really love him. I hope that you will give this Jesus that I talk about a chance to love you too."

At the beginning of the quarter, Jessica and I went into three Sorority chapter meetings and she shared her testimony (quoted above) with over 200 women! Jessica was very nervous, but knew this was something God was asking her to step out in faith to do (the verse above is the specific scripture that spoke to her). After she shared her story, I made an announcement at "UCSD Greek Row", a place for Greeks to explore Christianity and grow in their faith. Then we passed out a contact card where girls could mark if they are interested in Bible Study, knowing more about a personal relationship with God, and/or wanted more information about Greek Row. Jessica and I were surprised and ecstatic that over 80 women checked yes or maybe to all of the questions above! We are so encouraged by the positive response and have been meeting up with everyone individually for the past month. We've also had more girls join our All Sorority Bible Study!

A few days after our announcement, I received this email from a girl in Delta Gamma; along with wanting to meet up she said: *"I really enjoyed the way you gave your testimony and told my roommate about it and she said she would love to hear it sometime. Up until this past week she has claimed to be a die-hard atheist but recently has been very interested in exploring and I think your testimony would be of great aid to her. So let me know if you would be willing to meet with her sometime as well."*

How amazing! Jessica's story is being used to reach so many women at UCSD!

## Praise and Prayer

- \*Praise for great response in the Sorority houses!
- \*Pray for changed lives in the Greek System
- \*Pray for our All Sorority Brunch on Sat., March 3rd.
- \*Pray for our Spring Break trip the end of March



*Lots of Love, Courtney*