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**Title: A Life Worth Imitating**

**Text: 1 John 2:6: “*whoever says he abides in Him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.*”**

**Target:** To discover the daily rhythm of the life of Jesus of what was most important, and there we will find the answer of how Jesus walked.

- I. **The Priority of Time with the Father:** “*In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God.*” (Luke 6:12)
  - A. **Jesus Modeled the importance by:**
    1. **Ascribing:** “*I glorified you on earth...*” (John 17:4a)
    2. **Aligning:** “*...having accomplished the work that you gave me to do.*” (John 17: 4b)
    3. **Abiding:** “*And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.*” (John 17:5)
  - B. **Disciples Materialized the investment by becoming:**
    1. **Obedient:** knowing and obeying God’s Word.
    2. **Trusting:** I rest knowing Jesus is in control.
    3. **Prayerful:** I talk and listen to God.
- II. **The Practice of Togetherness with (spiritual) Family:** “*And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles:*” (Luke 6:13)
  - A. **Jesus Modeled the importance by:**
    1. **Creating Invitation:** “*As I have loved you, so you must love one another, by this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love another.*” (John 13:34-35)
    2. **Giving Challenge:** “*But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”* (Matthew 16:23)
  - B. **Disciples Materialized the investment by becoming:**
    1. **He led them to be Peacemakers:** I seek to heal broken relationships
    2. **He led them to be Compassionate:** I see and respond to those who are hurting.
    3. **He led them to be Hospitable:** I commit to encouraging others as we pursue God.
- III. **The Pursuit of Those who need Freedom (Far from God):** “*And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude...came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.*” (Luke 6:17-19)
  - A. **Jesus Modeled the Importance by:**
    1. **Seeing People:** “*great multitude*”
    2. **Speaking into People:** “*came to hear him*”
    3. **Serving People:** “*to be healed of their diseases*”
  - B. **Disciples Materialized the Investment by becoming:**
    1. **Proclaiming:** I tell others how to know Jesus
    2. **Generous:** I sacrificially share to bless others far from Jesus.
    3. **Winsome:** I live so others ask about the hope of Jesus.

**Takeaway:** How do we know when we are living out the mission of our church, when we choose to imitate Jesus and live the UP/IN/OUT life!