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Introduce yourself and answer this: Who first invited you to church?

When we look at John 1, we see the way some of the biggest names in our faith came to experience Jesus. Most of the time we put added pressure on ourselves to make sure our 'pitch' is perfect, when it's actually a lot easier than that. Jesus doesn't complicate the invite; he simply invites others to 'come and see'.

**Discussion**: One of the top reasons that stops most people from inviting others to church, is they know "our business" and have seen our imperfections. What stops you from inviting people? How can we begin to knock down these hesitations and allow people to receive the same grace you have received from God?

Have someone read John 1:35-42

**Discussion:** What is one practical way we can be more like Andrew to ensure that people we are surrounded by know about Jesus?

**Discussion:** Pastor Chris mentioned that we have a mandate on our lives that wherever we are gathered we are on a mission to make sure people know about God.

What things can you do this week to make sure that before you leave your house or before you get out of bed, you pray the following: "God I don't know what is going to happen today, but I am open

for your service, whoever you want to bring to me, I am open."

**Discussion:** Let's wrap up the discussion by spending a few moments on what else stood out to you from the message that we didn't already discuss. Is there anything else that was new or unexpected? Anything that impacted you the most or that you talked about with others after service?

## • Coming up:

- 2/12 Super Love Sunday
  - Challenge: who can you invite to come and see for Super Love Sunday? Let's take out our phones and text 1 person right now and invite them to this Sunday.
  - Big giveaways for anyone who brings a guest!

    We will be celebrating the Super Bowl and Valentine's Day after service! Wear your favorite NFL team jersey or dress up for Valentine's Day for a chance to win something! There will be fun for everyone!

One of the things that we want to focus on each season of Life Groups is to get comfortable praying out loud together. Close out your time together with prayer. If you're a newer Life Group, the leader can set an example by leading in prayer, but explain that we'll all be doing this over the next few weeks together. Explain that prayer is simply talking to God - there aren't perfect words to say. Next week, encourage someone else to close in prayer!

Are there any prayer requests or praise/celebrations?

• Please pray for our new building and for the plans/construction process!

