

Lifehouse Church

Maximize Christ Potential in You





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THE CALL OF JESUS



Matthew 11:28-29 - 28 “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my **yoke** upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my **yoke** is easy and my burden is light.”



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POINT 1

THE KINGDOM CALLS BEFORE WE'RE READY

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Mark 1:14–15 (ESV) - 14 Now **after John was arrested**, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, 15 and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”





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BIG IDEA

God often begins a new season
at the very moment
something old is taken away

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metamorphoō

It means: “To change form by changing nature.”



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Kingdom Principle

Something good often has to end...
...before something greater can begin.

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Jesus First Ministry Words

"The time is fulfilled.
The Kingdom of God is at hand"

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What looks like interruption to us...
...may be inauguration to God.

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POINT 2

Jesus Calls Identity Before Assignment

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Mark 1:16–18 (ESV) “Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, ‘Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men.’ And immediately they left their nets and followed Him.”





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Mindset Shift

They let go of a the good...
...in order to receive a greater potential.

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BIG IDEA

Jesus doesn't call you because you're ready
for a new season of life...

He calls you so He can make you ready
to expand into the new season of life

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POINT 3

Following Jesus Requires
a Transfer of Allegiance

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Mark 1:19–20 (ESV) “And going on a little farther, He saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed Him.”



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“Whoever loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me.”

“No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the Kingdom.”





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Point One - Something had to end
- for something greater to begin.

Point Two - Identity is formed
- before assignment is released

Point Three - Allegiance is transferred
- to the Kingdom of God



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