



FOLLOW: An Invitation to Discipleship

What “product” should the church be known for? _____ .

- “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...” Matthew 28:19a
- The word Christian appears in the Bible 3 times, Disciples appears 269 times
- “The New Testament is a book about Disciples, written by disciples and for disciples of Jesus Christ.” Dallas Willard, The Great Omission

WHO IS GOD:
Theology
2017

THE INCOMPARABLE CHRIST:
Christology
2019

WE BELIEVE:
Pistology
2021

ALIVE IN US:
Pneumatology
2023

2018
WHO AM I:
Identity

2020
WE THE CHURCH:
Ecclesiology

2022
MADE FOR THIS:
Missiology

2024
FOLLOW:
Discipleship

Becoming a Disciple In the Days of Jesus

Disciple (*Talmid*) is not only interested in _____ what the teacher _____ ,
but in _____ the teacher.

JEWISH EDUCATION IN THE DAYS OF JESUS

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The best compliment you could pay a disciples is that they were covered in the dust of their Rabbi.”

RAY VANDER LAAN, *In The Dust of the Rabbi*

Jesus Calls His First Disciples – John 1:35–51

“ ³⁵ The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶ When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, ‘Look, the Lamb of God!’

³⁷ When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, ‘What do you want?’ They said, ‘Rabbi’ (which means “Teacher”), ‘where are you staying?’ ³⁹ ‘Come,’ he replied, ‘and you will see.’

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.”

~ JOHN 1:35-39 (NIV)

Jesus invites them to _____ .

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“ ¹³ When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.”

~ ACTS 4:13 (NIV)

STEP 1 in the disciples journey: *An invitation to Be With Jesus*

90
DAYS

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“ ⁴⁰ Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹ The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, 'We have found the Messiah' (that is, the Christ). ⁴² And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas' (which, when translated, is Peter).”

~ JOHN 1:40-42 (NIV)

STEP 2 in the disciples journey: *A call to Become like Jesus*

“ ⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, 'Follow me.'

⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, 'We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.'

⁴⁶ 'Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?' Nathanael asked.
'Come and see,' said Philip.

⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, 'Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.' ⁴⁸ 'How do you know me?' Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, 'I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you.'

⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel.'

⁵⁰ Jesus said, 'You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that.' ⁵¹ He then added, 'Very truly I tell you, you will see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.'”

~ JOHN 1:43-51 (NIV)

STEP 3 in the disciples journey: *A challenge to Do what Jesus did*

So What

Are you ready to be _____ of our Rabbi?

DISCUSSION Questions: COMMUNITY GROUP VIDEOS available on the APP |

- 1- Who was an influential teacher, coach or mentor from your growing up years?
- 2- What do you think when you hear that the church theme for the year is going to be about discipleship?
- 3- How would you describe kind of people that Jesus invited to be His disciples? Why do you think that Jesus chose the kind of people that He did and what does this teach you about Jesus?
- 4- Read John 1:35-39. What do you think it was that drew those first two disciples to follow Jesus? What is essence of Jesus' invitation to them?
- 5- Read John 1:40-42. How would you describe Andrew's role in this whole encounter? What do you imagine Simon (Peter) would have been feeling after Jesus' introduction to him?
- 6- Read John 1:43-51. How would you describe the conversation between Phillip and Nathanael? Why do you think Nathanael goes from doubt to belief in such a short time?
- 7- If you had to compare yourself to one of those first disciples which one would it be and why?

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