



Title: Follow the Leader

Main Scripture: Mark 2:13-17

What do we learn about Jesus?

- Jesus came to teach (v 13).
- Jesus is calling for followers (v 14).
- Jesus calls anyone and everyone (v 14-15).
- Jesus hung out with the sick (v 15-16).
- Jesus avoided the religious crowd (v 16-17).

What is our response to Jesus?

- We need to tune in.
- We need to respond to His invitation to follow.
- We need to be welcoming and safe.
- We need to follow His lead.
- We need to not be religious snobs.

By what should our lives be marked?

- Humility not Arrogance
- Selflessness not Selfishness
- Kindness not Saltiness
- Forgiveness not Bitterness
- Courage not Continuous Hesitation
- Fear not Fear
- Reliance not Independence

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Small Group Sermon Study | Mark 2:13-17



Prayer: *Father, we thank You for who you are. May we be renewed and transformed through the study of Your word. Holy Spirit, lead us as we read, discern and discuss this passage together. In Jesus' name, amen.*

Icebreaker: Who do you follow in everyday life? Maybe through social media, or a podcast, or a TV/radio program? A celebrity, a preacher, an influencer?

Read the key passage(s) of Scripture from the message and review the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:

1. What did you like or appreciate about this message?
2. What did you notice or learn about Jesus as you read the account of Him calling Matthew?
3. Pastor Wade pointed to some specific ways we need to respond to Jesus. Which of those responses have been or are easy for you to do? Which are more challenging for you? Why?
4. Pastor Wade also identified some things our lives should be marked by, and some things that have no place being in our lives. Talk about each of these for a moment, about how you feel you do in these areas, and about how we as a small group do in these areas:
 - a. Humility vs Arrogance
 - b. Selflessness vs Selfishness
 - c. Kindness vs Saltiness
 - d. Forgiveness vs Bitterness
 - e. Courage vs Continuous Hesitation
5. What can we as a small group do to grow in responding to and being a better testimony for Jesus? What might need to change for us to do this?

Personal Reflection: Spend a few minutes in silent prayer, asking Jesus to speak to you personally about how you respond to Him and how you live as He would want you to. Then reflect on the following questions:

- What am I hearing from Jesus?
- What emotions does this stir up in me, and why?
- How will I respond this week to what He shows me?

Prayer: *Close in prayer together, praying for one another and for the group as a whole, that God would use us every day to invite people to follow Jesus!*