Main Scripture: Mark 1, 2, 3

Discipleship starts with God calling us.

(Mk 1:16-20)

Discipleship requires a willing response.

(Mk 2:13-14)

Discipleship results in us investing in others.

(Mk 3:13-19)

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Small Group Sermon Study

Prayer: Father God, thank You that You call each of us to know You and to follow Your Son Jesus. Guide our time around Your Word together. Fill us with Your love, Your wisdom, and Your power. Amen.

Icebreaker:

Talk about a positive "I didn't see that coming" time in your life. What happened? Why was it important to you?

Read Mark 6:30-56. From this passage and notes from listening to the sermon, discuss the following:

- Share your biggest takeaway from the message this week. What challenged you? What encouraged you?
- Pastor Greg talked about his call from Jesus to go to Bible College. When have you heard Jesus call you? What was He calling you to do?
- Discipleship starts with God calling us. Pastor Greg asks the question, "Would you know if Jesus came calling?" What are some key indicators of Jesus' call that you have experienced? Which of the three key indicators Pastor Greg talked about stood out to you?
- What is the next step to deeper discipleship to which Jesus is calling you? Share this with the group. What is the next step to deeper discipleship to which Jesus is calling your group? Discuss what you sense Jesus saying to you and your group.
- Discipleship requires a willing response. Take time to look at the barriers and the benefits that can come when you choose, and your group chooses, a willing response to the call of Jesus. Take as much time as you need to discuss this.
- Discipleship results in us investing in others. In whom is Jesus calling you and your group to invest? Spend time discussing this as a group. Spend time praying about this together as well.
- Growth and maturity often happen best through surrender of self-focused motives and when we commit to live life with other people. How could you surrender more of yourself and commit to building up your group and other people?

Personal Reflection:

Ask Jesus to remove any barriers in you that are blocking you from hearing and obeying His call. Pray about this on your own and then pray for each other about this.