



DISCUSSION GUIDE

Part 1 of Encounters

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Jesus revealed as the One who calls ordinary people into extraordinary purpose – inviting us into deeper trust, surrender, and transformation through real encounters with Him.

The Pattern of the Call

1. Revelation (Luke 5:1–3)

- Jesus made Himself known to the crowd and to Simon, stepping into an ordinary moment and turning it into a divine encounter.

Discuss:

- Where have you seen God show up in an ordinary part of your life recently?

2. Requirement (Luke 5:4–5)

- Jesus asked Simon to do something that didn't make sense based on his experience, yet Simon chose obedience "at your word."

Discuss:

- What area of your life is God asking you to trust Him in, even when it feels uncomfortable or inconvenient?

3. Recognition (Luke 5:8)

- When Simon saw the miracle, he became aware of who Jesus truly was and his own need for Him.

Discuss:

- What helps you recognize who God really is, beyond just what He can do for you?

4. Redirection (Luke 5:10)

- Jesus replaced Simon's fear with purpose, calling him into a completely new mission.

Discuss:

- What fears might be holding you back from stepping into what God is calling you to?



5. Reorientation (*Luke 5:11*)

- Simon and the others responded by leaving everything behind to follow Jesus fully.

Discuss:

- What does “leaving everything” look like in your current season of life?
- Is there anything you’re holding onto that could be keeping you from fully following Jesus?

The Posture of the Call

1. The Resisting Posture (*Luke 9:59–62*)

- Some responded to Jesus with hesitation, delay, or excuses, wanting to follow Him on their own terms.

Discuss:

- What are some common excuses or delays you’ve experienced when it comes to following God?

2. The Rejecting Posture (*Luke 18:22–23*)

- The rich ruler walked away because the cost of following Jesus felt too high.

Discuss:

- What attachments or comforts in your life might make it difficult to fully surrender to God?

3. The Receiving Posture (*Luke 5:27–28*)

- Levi responded immediately, leaving everything behind and stepping into a transformed life with Jesus.

Discuss:

- What would it look like for you to respond to Jesus more quickly and fully this week?

