



Talking through the weekly message helps you turn information into application. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you make the next move. If you're leading a movement city group through this guide, don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick out those questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group.

### **City Group Icebreaker: Questions to Get You Talking**

- How did God speak to you in the message?
- Was there anything you didn't understand?

### **Key Scriptures:**

16 As He was going along by the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew, the brother of Simon, casting a net in the sea; for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." 18 Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. 19 Going on a little farther, He saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who were also in the boat mending the nets. 20 Immediately He called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants, and went away to follow Him. **Mark 1:16-20**

### **Message Study:**

- Read Mark 1:16-20. What are some obstacles people face today when deciding to follow Jesus?
- What did Jesus' words, "Follow me" produce in these 4 men (note that they immediately turned from their families and/or occupations & followed) and how does the previous context prepare us for this response?
- What did Jesus ask these men to give up, and what in fact did they give up in order to follow Him?
- Notice the word, "become" in v. 17. What does this tell you about the process of becoming fishers of men? How does this affect your work as you fish for men and women in the city, and for the people God places into your nets (relational network)?

### **Start Thinking.**

- What do you think compelled Simon, Andrew, James, and John to leave their families and livelihood as fishermen to follow Jesus?
- If you were Zebedee, or one of the hired servants, what would you have said to James & John when they left their nets?
- If you were Simon, Andrew, James, or John, what would you have said to Jesus?

### **Start Sharing.**

- Discuss the following quote. "The call and the instant response of these fishermen reveal something of what discipleship to Jesus entails and should shatter our comfortable world of middle-class discipleship. Disciples are not those who simply fill pews at worship, fill out pledge cards, attend an occasional Bible study, and offer to help out in the work of the church now and then. They are not merely eavesdroppers and onlookers. When one is hooked by Jesus, one's whole life and purpose in life are transformed".
- Jesus spoke. They listened. They responded. Too often today we hear from God's Word but don't respond. This story would have a completely different ending had it recorded that they continued to cast their nets. How many of us today continue on with our daily routines when Jesus calls us to something greater?

**Start Praying.** Take some time to pray for one another.

# next moves

## Connect To Culture

Discipleship with Jesus changes people completely. "If anyone is in Christ he is a new creation" (2 Cor. 5:17, ESV). Our text focuses on one aspect of that change: "I will make you become fishers of men." Although it presents awkward English, the ESV keeps to a very literal rendering of the Greek in order to emphasize the fact that following Jesus will change them; they will become something they are not. This week how can you be what you have not been in order to **SERVE YOUR CITY?**

## Movement News

- No matter where you come from, there's a group for you. Join or start an MTG and experience how the gospel can transform your life. A MTG is made up of two or three people, all of the same gender, who meet weekly for personal accountability for their spiritual growth and development. There are only two suggested qualification for starting or joining a MTG:
  1. A desperate need for Jesus (Luke 5:29-32).
  2. Faithfulness in the process itself (2 Tim. 2:2).

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## movement transformation groups

Movement Transformation Groups (MTG's) are a simple way to release the most essential elements of a vital spiritual walk to people who need Jesus to change their lives from the inside out. We want to see people experience life change, support one another through the challenges of life, as well as pray and care for one another. (MTG's) empower the common Christian to accomplish the uncommon work of reproducing spiritual disciples who can in turn reproduce others.

Only three tasks are to be accomplished in a (MTG):

- Sin is confessed in mutual accountability.
- Scripture is read repetitively in context and in community.
- Souls are prayed for strategically, specifically, and continuously

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### MTG Weekly Emphasis:

- This week you are to read James 1 in its entirety in context and in community.

**These questions at the least are to be asked of one another on a weekly meeting of accountability (Proverbs 27:17). They are to stimulate conversations of character and confession of sin in a safe environment, which values, honesty, vulnerability, confidentiality, and grace.**

1. Have you been a testimony this week to the greatness of Jesus Christ with both your words and actions?
2. Do I have 2-3 people outside and inside of my family that I am helping to grow spiritually?
3. What have you done lately to "build a bridge" for the purpose of sharing the gospel?

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