



## **Morning Star Las Cruces 2026 Discussion Questions**

January 11, 2026

Title: "Do you come to me?"

Text: Matthew 3:13-17

1. When has a person or resource unexpectedly shown up to help you finish a task, make a decision or find your way? What difference did that detail make in your experience?
2. As the new year begins, what kind of new start or renewal feels meaningful to you right now?
3. What stood out to you in the message titled "Do You Come to Me?" Did a story, phrase or image invite you to see God's presence differently? What element of the message do you really want to discuss?
4. Read Matthew 3:13-17. What details jump out at you in the baptism story? Perhaps John's hesitation, Jesus' actions or God's voice from heaven? What did you notice that you may have missed before?

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5. John hesitates to baptize Jesus, even though his role is to prepare the way for Jesus' ministry? How does this hesitation help you think about times when following God's call feels confusing or unexpected?

6. Jesus' baptism affirms John's work. How might God's presence come alongside you in your own work, responsibilities or calling?

7. Read Isaiah 42:1-4. How could this prophetic image of God's servant deepen your understanding of Jesus' baptism and mission?

8. Read Romans 6:3-5. How does baptism connect us to Jesus' life, death and resurrection? What might that connection mean for your everyday living?

9. Where in your life do you sense God inviting you to step into a new beginning, ask for guidance or be affirmed in your calling?

10. How might your group pray for you as you reflect on God's unconditional love for you and on your identity as a follower of Jesus?