



Stand Alone Message (Vision Sunday 2026) Study Guide

Jesus' Vision For His Church

Bible Text: Matthew 4:18-22; 28:16-20; Acts 2:42-47

Open Up

When you hear the word *church*, what is the first thing that comes to mind?
What is one of the healthiest church experiences you've ever had?

Dig In

Read Matthew 4:18-22

What did the disciples leave behind to follow Jesus? Why do you think Jesus chose ordinary people instead of religious experts?

What are some "nets" people may need to leave behind today to fully follow Jesus?
What does genuine discipleship look like in everyday life?

How can the church help people become followers of Jesus instead of just attendees?

Read Matthew 28:16-20

What promise does Jesus make to His disciples? According to this passage, what is the mission of the Church?

Why is disciple-making central to God's vision for the Church? What is the difference between making converts and making disciples?

What fears or obstacles keep Christians from sharing their faith? How can a church become more outward-focused instead of inward-focused?

Read Acts 2:42-47

What practices defined the early church? Which characteristic of the early church is most needed today?

How does generosity strengthen a church community? What would it look like for our church to live more like Acts 2?

Close Out

What is one area where Jesus may be calling you to deeper surrender or obedience?
Who is one person God may want you to intentionally invest in spiritually?

Which area do you personally want to grow in most: devotion to Scripture, prayer, fellowship, generosity, evangelism, worship?