

# The Call to a Life of Discipleship

Part 10 of the *Disciple* series

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*While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.*

Matthew 4:18-22 ESV

The call to a life of discipleship is...

- An invitation Jesus makes to ordinary people.
- An invitation to become an apprentice in the way of Christ.  
*The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.*  
Luke 6:40
- An invitation that will cost you.
- An invitation to become a disciple-maker.
- An invitation to experience life in Jesus every single day.  
*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*  
John 10:10

Two questions every follower of Jesus needs to have an answer to:

- Who is discipling me?
- Who am I discipling?

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## Next Steps

Take some time to answer the following questions with your spouse, children, or small group...

- Read through Matthew 4:18-22. Which person do you identify with the most in this story and why?
- A life of discipleship cost the 4 disciples their comfort & careers, among other things. Where has following Jesus cost you? Has it been worth the cost? Explain.
- How would you answer the two questions asked at the end of the sermon notes above? Explain why you answered the way you did.
- Many Christians have a difficult time answering the two questions. Why do you think this is? What can you do to get yourself in a place where you're able to confidently answer them?