

VISION CAST

FOLLOW FAITHFULLY. HELP THE ONE BEHIND.



Every disciple has a part to play.

VISION CAST

What the Ducks Remind Us

**KEEP
JESUS
IN VIEW**

Stay
behind
the one
in front.

**KEEP
MOVING**

Following
is active.
A disciple
takes the
next step.

**LOOK
BACK**

Who is
behind me?
How can I
help them
keep
moving?

SERIES 1 Review

LOOK BACK — Love One Another

What did visible love look like?

SPEAK LIFE

**HELP
WISELY**

FORGIVE

GO DIRECT

GO LOW

BUILD COURAGE

**MAKE
SPACE**

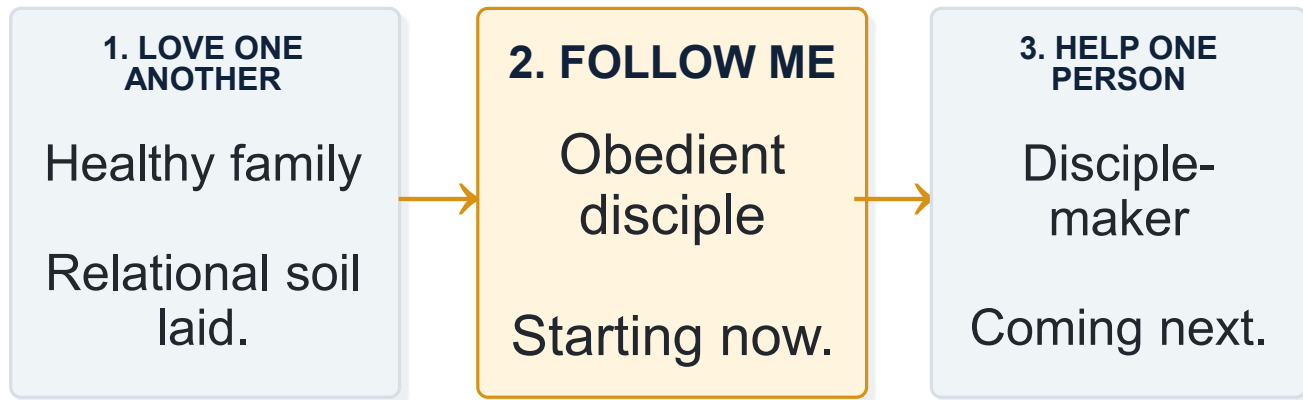
**FIGHT FOR
UNITY**

**SPUR ONE ANOTHER
ON**

LOVE BECAME VISIBLE.

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

The Bridge



**We learned how disciples live together.
Now we learn how disciples follow Jesus.**

SERIES 2

FOLLOW ME — The New Question

**What does it actually LOOK like
to follow Jesus?**

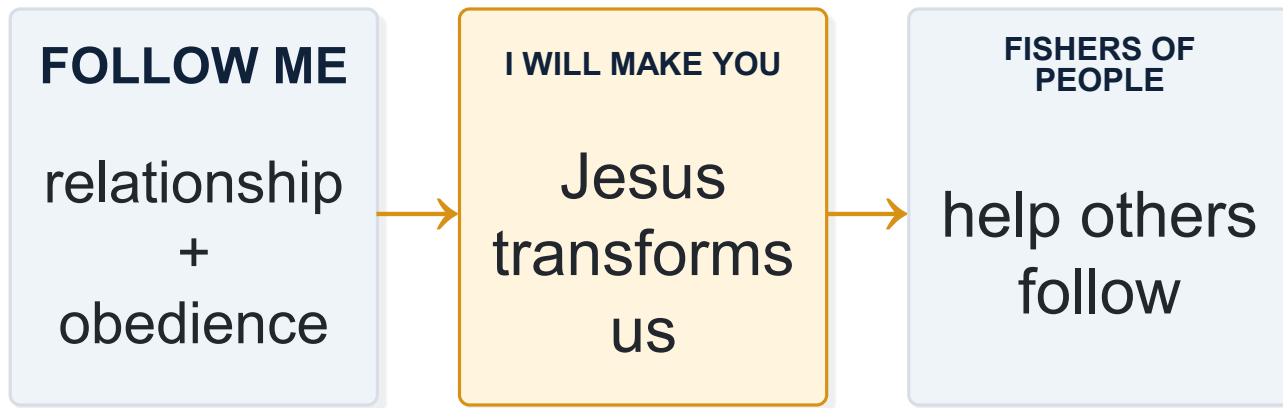
Not just believe.

Not just attend.

FOLLOW.

FOLLOW ME

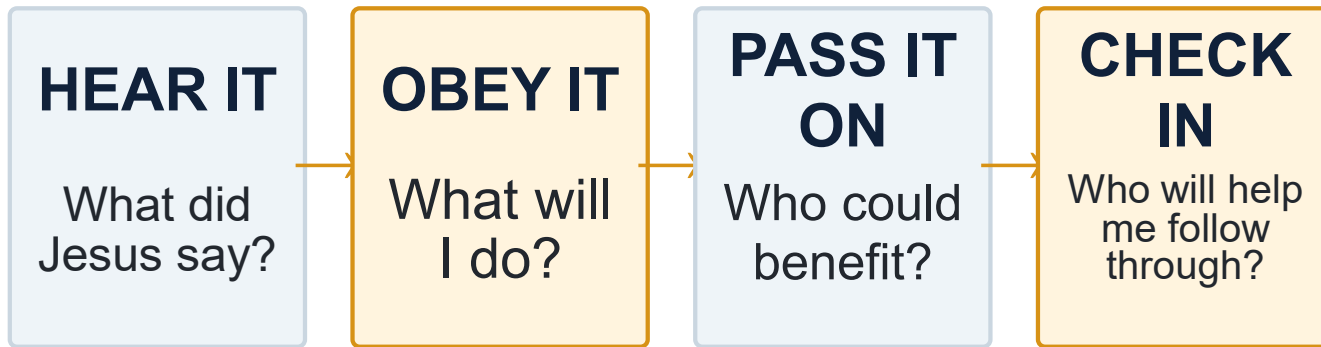
The Series Anchor



**“Follow Me, and I will make you become
fishers of men.” — Mark 1:17**

OUR SIMPLE RHYTHM

How Every Week Will Work



HEAR IT → OBEY IT → PASS IT ON → CHECK IN

Truth should move from the sermon into life — and from us into someone else.

SCUBA BUDDY

NEVER DIVE ALONE.

Your buddy...

- checks in (not checks up)
- watches your back
- helps when you get stuck
- encourages you to keep moving

Get one!

Be one!

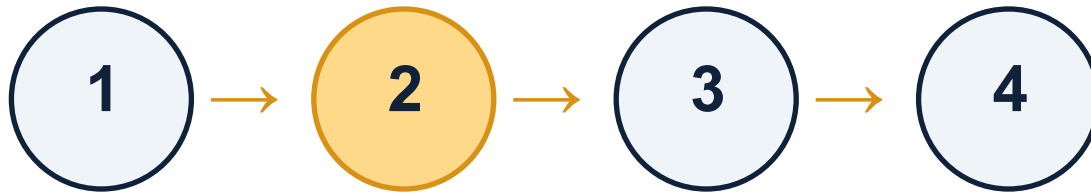
Ecclesiastes 4:9–10



HOT POTATO

PASS IT ON

Do not let truth die in your notebook.



If someone could benefit from one thing you learned — and they were not here — tell them.

“Entrust [it] to faithful people who will be able to teach others also.” — 2 Timothy 2:2

DO SOMETHING WITH IT

OBEDIENCE CHALLENGE

DON'T JUST TAKE NOTES. TAKE A STEP.

ONE ACTION

Choose one
clear step.

ONE PERSON

Tell someone
what you will
do.

ONE FOLLOW-UP

Report back
next time.

Next time: report • celebrate • learn • keep moving

James 1:22 — “Be doers of the word...”

FOLLOW ME #1

NO SPECTATORS



Mark 1:16–20 • Matthew 4:18–22

FOLLOW ME #1

Opening Prayer

- Take us on a journey.
- Open our hearts.
- Help us **stop being spectators.**
- Help us **obey quickly** when Jesus calls.
- Help us get comfortable with being uncomfortable.

FOLLOW ME #1

Today's Big Idea

**JESUS CALLS FOLLOWERS,
NOT FANS.**

A disciple does not merely
agree with Jesus.
A disciple moves.

Jesus Begins His Ministry

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵ and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; [\[a\]](#) repent and believe in the gospel.”

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

¹⁶ Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” [\[b\]](#) ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

MARK 1:14–15

The Kingdom Arrives

“The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

Mark 1:15

Jesus does not begin with a hobby. He announces a King and calls for a response.

MARK 1:16–17

The Call

***“Follow Me, and I will make
you become fishers of men.”***

Mark 1:17

FOLLOW ME → I WILL MAKE YOU → FISHERS OF PEOPLE

MARK 1:18

The Response

TAKE
NOTE

**They did not just agree with
Jesus.**

***“Immediately they left their nets
and followed Him.”***

Mark 1:18

MARK 1:19–20

The Call Repeats

“Immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat... and followed Him.”

Mark 1:20

**Different men. Same
Jesus. Same kind of
response!**

THE PATTERN

TAKE NOTE

**WHEN JESUS IS CLEAR,
DISCIPLES MOVE.**

Not perfectly. Not recklessly. But
they do not make delay their
lifestyle.

Mark Moves Fast

More than 40 times Mark uses a Greek word often translated:

IMMEDIATELY • AT ONCE • STRAIGHTAWAY

- Immediately — Jesus comes from the water. (1:10)
- Immediately — the Spirit drives Him into the wilderness. (1:12)
- Immediately — Simon and Andrew leave their nets. (1:18)
- Immediately — James and John are called. (1:20)

Mark tells the story with urgency.

PROMPT OBEDIENCE

“Immediately” Does Not Mean Reckless

- It does not mean acting without wisdom.
- It means Jesus is not put at the bottom of the list.
- It means we do not endlessly postpone what He has made clear.
- Delayed obedience can quietly become disobedience.

**The issue is not speed for speed's sake.
The issue is who has first place.**

What Net Is Still in Your Hands?

The net is not necessarily something bad.

It is anything I refuse to put down when Jesus says, “Follow Me.”

What am I holding onto that is delaying my obedience?

COMFORT

CONTROL

FEAR

PREFERENCE

REPUTATION

DELAY

WHAT DOES FOLLOWING MEAN?

“Follow Me” Is Not Casual

- Jesus has first place.
- I learn His ways.
- I obey with my feet — not just agree in my head.
- My life begins to revolve around Him.

**FOLLOWING IS A LIFE, NOT AN
EVENT.**

CONSUMER CHRISTIANITY

Jesus Did Not Say...

ATTEND ME.
ADMIRE ME.
CONSUME WHAT CHURCH
PROVIDES.
CRITIQUE FROM THE SEAT.

HE SAID: “FOLLOW ME.”



THE WORLD TRAINS SPECTATORS.

WATCH. COMMENT. CRITIQUE. CONSUME.

WAIT FOR SOMEONE ELSE.

DIAGNOSTIC

Spectator Christianity vs Follower Life

SPECTATORS SAY...

I attended.
I listened.
I liked / disliked it.
I agree / disagree.
Someone should
do something.

FOLLOWERS ASK...

What did Jesus
say?
What will I obey?
Who can I help?
Who will help me
follow through?

**Which side sounds most like
me?**

TAKE NOTE

The Kingdom Has No Spectators

**JESUS CALLS EVERY DISCIPLE
ONTO THE FIELD.**

Not because we are impressive.
Because He is Lord.
And love cares enough to help the
people around us.

“I Will Make You”

Two-Sided Coin

MY JOB IS TO FOLLOW.

HIS JOB IS TO MAKE ME.

Discipleship is not self-improvement by sheer effort.

As we follow, Jesus changes our character, priorities and direction.

FOLLOWING TURNS OUTWARD

“Fishers of People”

FOLLOWING JESUS TURNS US TOWARD PEOPLE.

The disciple who follows Jesus begins helping other people follow Him too.

LOVE CARES ENOUGH TO HELP.

Family • friends • neighbours •
workmates • church family

JESUS CAME FIRST

The Gospel Fits the Message

**Before Jesus called us to
follow Him,
He came to seek and save us.**

Luke 19:10

He did not shout directions from a distance.
He came near. He sought us. He went to
the cross. He rose again.

GRACE MOVES FIRST.

The Good News of Jesus Christ

- Our sin separates us from God.
- Jesus came to seek and save the lost.
- Christ died for our sins and was buried.
- God raised Him from the dead.
- Forgiveness and new life are offered through repentance and faith.

Mark 1:15 • 1 Corinthians 15:3–4

KEEP THE ORDER RIGHT

Grace & Obedience

**WE DO NOT OBEY TO EARN
SALVATION.**

**Salvation is the gift that makes
following possible.**

We obey because Jesus is Lord,
and because grace has brought us home.
We do it out of gratitude and love!

GRACE SAVES. FOLLOWERS OBEY.

FOLLOW ME #1

This Week's Question

**WHAT IS JESUS ASKING ME
TO OBEY?**

Not ten things. One clear next step.

This Week's Challenge

ONE ACTION

Choose one clear thing from today that Jesus is asking you to do.

ONE PERSON

Tell your scuba buddy what you intend to do.

ONE FOLLOW-UP

Ask them to check in — then report next time.

TRY TO ACT WITHIN 48 HOURS.

Prompt obedience turns dead sermons into discipleship.

WHO WASN'T HERE?

Hot Potato — Pass It On

**Who could benefit from ONE
thing you learned today?**

Tell them before next time.



PASS

Useful truth should keep moving.

TAKE NOTE — FOLLOW ME #1

- Jesus calls followers, not fans.
- **When Jesus is clear, disciples move.**
- The “net” is anything I refuse to put down when Jesus says, “Follow Me.”
- My job is to follow. His job is to make me.
- Grace moves first. Followers obey.
- Hear it. Obey it. Pass it on. Check in.
- (There are hidden easter eggs on the slides online)

HEAR IT → OBEY IT → PASS IT ON → CHECK IN

FOLLOW ME #1

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus,
when You call, **help us follow you.**
Show each of us **one clear step.**
Give us grace to **obey quickly.**
Help us **pass on** what we learn.
Make us disciples **who help others** follow
You.

Amen