
ANSWERING THE CALL

FOLLOW ME-WHY?

Matthew 4:18-20; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:8-11; Isaiah 53:2-12

THE BACKSTORY

John 1:35-42

Luke 4:38-44

Luke 5:1-11

HOW TO RECOGNIZE & RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL IN YOUR LIFE

1. Expect it to be clear
Romans 12:1-2; Psalm 119:105; 2 Timothy 3:16-17
2. Expect it to be progressive
Proverbs 4:18
3. Expect it to be doable
Matthew 11:28-30
4. Whenever God's will is clear but still makes no sense –
remember who you're arguing with!
Psalm 111:10; Luke 5:5; Proverbs 3:5-6
5. If you want to know God's plan for tomorrow,
follow His plan for today

NEXT STEPS

Use these study questions to turn a message into a conversation.

Food for thought

Recognizing and responding to God's call in our lives will always involve making decisions. Good decision making is built upon three important foundations: *Scripture*, *wise counsel*, and *the inner promptings of the Holy Spirit*. Below are some verses that shed additional light on each of these components. Read each one and jot down your insights.

Scripture:

Psalm 119:9-11, 59-61, 97-105

Proverbs 2

Wise Counsel:

Proverbs 15:22

2 Chronicles 10:1-11

The Inner Promptings of the Holy Spirit:

Acts 16:6-10

Acts 20:22-23

John 16:12-14

What will you do with this Jesus?

“If you want to know God’s plan for tomorrow, follow His plan for today.” Take some time and ask God about His plan for you. Ask Him about the little things and the big things. Ask Him to show you where you can be molded, transformed or sharpened. Then spend some time listening. Listen while you read the Scriptures. Listen to those God may be speaking through. Pay attention to those areas where you may be called to a greater obedience. Consider writing down what you hear this week.