



These Digging Deeper questions can be used the week following the Sunday message. You can use these questions for personal growth and development, or as a guide for your family or Connect Group discussions.

## Message Recap:

### Read Mark 1:14-19

Your worth isn't in "measuring up," trying to be more in this world. Instead, it's in following up. When Jesus says, "Follow Me" he is calling you to use the life you have to reveal the life you've been given! Our identities are twisted in lies until we choose to follow the call of Jesus into the Truth of love. Humble yourself in the presence of an almighty God. Notice Jesus. Let Jesus Christ captivate your attention. Let hope rise, trusting that Jesus is actually who He says He is, and that Jesus can actually do what He says He can do--*for you!* This isn't passive – you've got to choose AND act. If you courageously live Jesus' worth, you *will* find yours, and others *will* see theirs.

## Pray

Lord, thank you for loving us! Thank you for giving us a better way. Thank you for showing us the fruit of your way through the life of Jesus here on Earth. We pray that we find our identities in who Jesus was and who You are. We pray for a humbleness that breaks down our walls and puts us in position to follow Jesus. Let Jesus' example lead us into a new purpose to be a visible and tangible love that shows Your heart.

## Getting Started

- Talk about a time when you got lost while on a trip. Describe how you found your way back to the right path.
- When you have good news, who is the first person you tell?

## Digging Deeper

1. Read Discuss the problems that come from trying to find our identity in comparing ourselves with others?
2. How can shifting our focus onto the promises of God's love give us peace? What can we practically do this?
3. After reading Mark 1:17, what does it mean to be "a fisher of men"? What do you believe to be the most effective way to "fish"?
4. What challenges do you have when it comes to this kind of fishing? How can you overcome them?
5. Discuss why people often get caught up in having a passive faith. How do we avoid passivity?
6. Describe someone you know who is a good example of bringing love to other broken people. How will you follow their example?

## Living Jesus

You've now got a choice – to live down into a dying identity, or live up toward the infinite call of God in your life! Reject passivity by following Jesus out into the world and taking love with you. Tell them what Jesus has done in your life. Be a friend. Know that you have been made worthy by Jesus and share that news with others.

## What's Your Story?

Have you had a change of heart and learned how to follow up instead of striving to measure up? Encourage others by sharing your story!

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