

LIFEGROUP STUDY
FOLLOW ME: WHAT DO YOU WANT?
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PARTICIPANT NOTES

OVERVIEW

Welcome to our LifeGroup study, Follow Me. Over the six-weeks leading up to Easter, we're looking at the invitation Jesus gives us – Follow Me. Saying “yes” to this invitation will reorient our lives and upend our priorities – in a good way! Throughout this series, we're going to explore accounts of when Jesus invited people in Scripture to follow Him. As we look into these accounts, we'll understand more of how His invitation should impact our lives today. This week we'll look at a question Jesus asked his disciples and a blind beggar – “What do you want?” The way we answer this question can frame our discipleship to Jesus. Let's dive into this week's study and ask, “What do you want?”

ICEBREAKER I Really Wanted It!

When I was about 10 years old, I really wanted a Mr. Maxx remote control van. I still remember the TV commercial where they showed that super cool looking van wheeling around the house. I wanted that van, and I never got that van! Think back to when you were a kid. What was something you really wanted, something you just had to have? Did you get it? Did you not get it? What have you learned about stuff you really wanted back then?

STUDY

1. To kick off our series, Follow Me, Pete focused on Jesus' question to his first disciples – “What do you want?” He said this question should echo in our minds every step of the way as we follow Jesus. **What do you think about this idea?**
2. On Sunday, Pete said that our response to Jesus should come from a humble posture, where we acknowledge that we are “blind” and don't actually know what we're looking for. **Why is it important to confess we might not actually know what we want?**
3. Read Mark 10:35-52 – the disciples' response (35-45) vs. Bartimaeus' response (46-52). In these passages, Jesus asks a similar question and gets two very different responses. **Why do you think Mark has placed these two stories side by side? What is Mark trying to highlight for us?**

4. One of the things Jesus does when he comes into our lives is reveal that we are spiritually blind. **How has Jesus opened up your eyes to things you never knew or saw before?**

5. Imagine Jesus asking you this question: “What do you want?” **What would you say today? Is your answer different than it would have been 5 or 10 years ago?**

6. The first question Jesus asks in John is translated, “What do you want?” or “What are you looking for?” **How could we allow this to shape how we interact with our non-Christian neighbors? How is this question different from other approaches?**

NEXT STEPS

For our series, Follow Me, we invite you to take next steps to grow your walk with God by spending time with Him. Here are 3 ways you can do that.

- 1) Watch the Daily Devos from Creekside. <https://vimeo.com/showcase/devotionals>
- 2) Use S.O.A.P. – a method of spending time with God explained in the Daily Devos.
- 3) Engage with others from Creekside about your experience
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3459966190810762>

PRAYER:

Let's pray this week for our Kid's Ministry at Creekside:

- That kids would accept Jesus as their Sin Forgiver and Life Leader
- For wisdom for our Kids Staff to work effectively to provide experiences and resources for families that will build their faith.
- That God would encourage parents in their role as spiritual leaders in their homes, influencing their children to live Godly lives.