Group Questions - Words of Easter: Week 2

03/17/24 - Pastor Kirby

Getting to Know Me Questions:

- What's your favorite vehicle? Whether you've owned it or not.
- Name 3 people you'd like to take a road trip with. (It can be anyone, get creative)

Into the Bible Questions:

- What's something from this week's teaching that you learned, that stood out, interesting etc?
- Today's Word is brought to you by the word FOLLOW
- **READ:** Mark 1:17
- Is it difficult for you to follow other people's instructions or them doing something first?
 (Your spouse/significant other/friend may have a different view) Why?
- The action and meaning of the word "follow" is one of attachment and surrender. It's accepting the leadership of Jesus with the goal of living and continuing in his mission.
- We all follow someone. We are being "discipled" by someone or something. (No need to answer out loud the following) When you think of the way you spend your time, who do you follow? When you think of your time, and what you follow, who is speaking into your life the most? Some examples: We watch/listen to a lot of news; We scroll Instagram/TikTok etc many hours; We read a lot of one author; We spend a lot of time on youtube; We spend most of our time with one person.
- READ: 1 Corinthians 11:1
- How do you respond/feel/think when you read this from Paul?
- To "follow" means, we <u>Surrender</u> to Jesus, <u>Accept</u> His leadership and <u>Follow</u> Him. We accept the leadership of Jesus with the goal of living and continuing in His mission.
- When you think of the word "Surrender" what do you think of? How about "to accept leadership"; Now how about to "Follow"?
- **READ:** Mark 1:18-20
- Can you think of a time where you have felt a sense of urgency to act or do something?
 What was the situation? What was the result? Do you still feel this same urgency?
- **READ:** John 6:60-66

Application Questions:

- What are you waiting for in order to fully follow Jesus?
- This week as you go through your routines/life, try and be aware of where you're dedicating your time. Who do you allow to speak into your life the most? What does it draw you closer to?

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1st word of Easter: TIME

"THE TIME HAS COME..." - Jesus

Question: 'How am I spending my time?'

It is often difficult to follow someone else's lead

2nd word of Easter: FOLLOW

Mark 1:14-20

¹⁴ After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

¹⁶ As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." ¹⁸ At once they left their nets and followed him.

¹⁹ When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. ²⁰ Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him

"Come, follow Me..." - Jesus

- 1 Corinthians 10:31
- ³¹ So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.
- 1 Corinthians 11:1
- ¹ Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.

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John 6:60-66

⁶⁰ On hearing it, many of his disciples said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?"

⁶⁶ From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

Question: Why are you hesitating?

Surrender – Accept – Follow

⁶¹ Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you? ⁶² Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! ⁶³ The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. ⁶⁴ Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. ⁶⁵ He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them."