



Sunday 1st September 2024
Following Jesus for a new vision (Mark 1:14-39)

1. The call – v.14-20

2. The journey – v.21-34

3. The rhythm – v.35-39

Questions for our midweek Growth Groups and personal reflection

1. The call – v.14-20

Can you share an example of when you received an important call or invitation? What effect did it have on your life?

What is astonishing about Jesus' invitation to the fishermen to come and follow him? What is amazing about Jesus' call of us to be his disciples?

If our response to Jesus is to mirror these first disciples, does it mean that we must give up our jobs, homes & families for Christ? What does it mean and how is that looking in your life at the moment?

2. The journey – v.21-34

Rabbis would take their disciples with them, travelling and teaching them a way of life.

What do you think Jesus was teaching his new disciples through these early experiences?

What is the danger that our Christian faith can end up being more about knowledge than living? How do we guard against that?

The words 'Christian' and even 'disciple' can become so familiar that they lose their meaning. What is the idea of an 'apprentice' and how might it be helpful for us to think of our relationship with Jesus in this way?

What has Jesus taught you recently and what have you done with it?

3. The rhythm – v.35-39

Why did Jesus get up early to go to a quiet place to pray?

Do you tend to be like the disciples, simply reacting to the demands of others? How will we know what the right things to do are?

Have you yet found a rhythm of life which is shaped by the pace and grace of Jesus? Or are you still looking?