**CONNECTION QUESTION**

In your own words, “What is discipleship?” Share any past experience you have with this concept. Have you been discipled? Have you discipled someone? What was it like?

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> **Read Mark 8:34-48; Luke 9:57-62.**

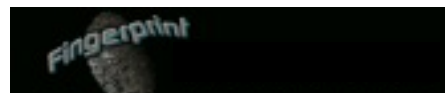
What do these passages tell us about being a disciple? Complete this sentence and discuss: “A disciple is one who _____.”

Read Luke 14:25-32. What do Jesus’ words show us about the call to follow him? The cost of following Jesus is great. What have you left behind to follow him? What might he be calling you to give up to follow him?

A Life Group is a gathering of fellow disciples. How can your Life Group help one another grow as disciples of Christ?

> **Read Luke 5:1-11.**

Read Matt. 28:18-20. Why does Jesus call the disciples in Luke 5? Is Jesus’ command in Matthew 28 reserved only for



the “spiritually elite” among us, or is it a call for all Christians?

Are you discipling someone currently? Are you being discipled? If not, what is holding you back?

Read 1 Thess. 2:9-12; 1 Cor. 11:1. What does Paul tell the Thessalonian church to do? What does he tell the church in Corinth to do? What role does “imitation” play in discipleship today?

NEXT STEPS

> **Read 2 Timothy. 2:2.**

This verse contains four generations of discipleship: Paul—Timothy—those Timothy teaches—those taught by Timothy’s followers. The key to the future of the church is discipling others right now.

Take a moment and reflect on who God is calling you to disciple in your life. Write down the name of the person God is laying on your heart.

How do you plan to disciple this person? How can your Life
Group focus on multiplying disciples among your
community?