4 February 2024

Our Purpose

"Come, follow Me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."

Matthew 4:19

Our Purpose:

To make followers of Jesus by being followers of Jesus

Jesus issues a to me. "Come"

"...who comes to Me I will never drive away." John 6:37

"Come to Me, all you who are weary..." Matthew 11:28-29

"Come... come... come" Revelation 22:17

"Come and see" John 1:45-46

"Come, see the place where His body lay" Matthew 28:5-6

Jesus wants a from me. "follow Me"

"Imitate me just as I imitate Christ." 1 Corinthians 11:1

"I urge you to imitate me." 1 Corinthians 4:16

"Follow my example." Philippians 3:17-18

"you have become an example" 1 Thessalonians 1:6

"Not that I have already attained..." Philippians 3:12-15

Jesus wants a within me. "and I will make you"

"God is able to make..." 2 Corinthians 9:8

"We are God's workmanship" Ephesians 2:10

"began... bring it to completion" Philippians 1:6

My prayer priorities for this week

- S 4 Lerida C.
- M 5 Robert & Dianne Hour of Power, 7-8pm
- T 6 Bunnings contacts
- W 7 Lurline & Terry Home Group, 7:30pm
- T 8 Rosalie & Jim D
- F 9 Ian & Eleanor
- S 10 Mary F
- S 11 Jean H M Tea: Lyn & Joan

Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion

- 1. What is the purpose of a purpose statement?
- 2. Half of our purpose is to follow Jesus. When we follow Jesus, where will we be short term, medium term, and long-term?
- 3. How could it be that when we follow Jesus, that encourages others to also follow Him?
- 4. Jesus first says 'Come' and immediately adds 'follow Me.' Why are both halves of that instruction encouraging?
- 5. Why do we need 'Come, follow Me' before we get 'I will make you'?
- 6. Complete this sentence: I follow Jesus because....

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