

Sunday Morning | January 15, 2017

# FOUNDATIONS

## CALLED TO DISCIPLESHIP

**MATTHEW 9:9(NLT)**, "As Jesus was going down the road, He saw Matthew sitting at his tax-collection booth. 'COME BE MY DISCIPLE!' Jesus said. So Matthew got up and followed Jesus."

**TRUTH:** All disciples are believers but not all believers are disciples.

### MAKING THE MOVE TO RADICAL DISCIPLESHIP

#### I. SCHEDULE YOUR LIFE FOR JESUS (John 12:26 NLT).

A. Spiritual growth is a choice.

**TRUTH:** You are as close to God as you choose to be.

B. Spiritual growth takes commitment.

**TRUTH:** We grow by making commitments.

**TRUTH:** Your commitments determine the course of your life.

**INSIGHT:** You cannot commit to everything; that's what worship is about, helping you sort your commitments, good from bad.

#### II. MAKE JESUS YOUR PRIZED POSSESSION (Luke 14:26 LB).

**TRUTH:** A first love for Christ means Christ holds the wheel of your life and determines what you do and where you go.

**TRUTH:** A first love for Christ is called worship.

**TRUTH:** Spiritual growth is measured by how much you love, not how much you know.

#### III. MAKE THE CHURCH YOUR SWEET SPOT (John 13:35).

**TRUTH:** The sign I follow Jesus is a love for the Church that gathers to worship (1 John 4:20).

**TRUTH:** Spiritual growth happens in community, not on your own (1 John 3:16).

**TRUTH:** God measures our love for Him by how much we sacrifice for our church family.

**INSIGHT:** To feel a part of "The Hill," you only have to know a few.

**TRUTH:** This crowd won't help in a crisis, but your life group will.

**INVITATION TRUTH:** Disciples live to obey because they really live when they obey (Mark 8:35 NLT).