

DISCUSSION GUIDE || January 14 & 15, 2026

REMEMBER

- Our faith is not just meant to be *believed*, it's meant to **be lived**. Our belief informs our behavior.
- Our **5 Core Practices** are TNC's summary of Christian living and our intention to live it together
- Core Practice 1 (FOLLOW JESUS): We commit to **be with** Jesus to **learn from** Jesus how to **live like** Jesus in our everyday lives (paraphrase of Dallas Willard).
- The first disciples followed Jesus because they **heard** the news about him and because Jesus **invited** them into a new identity and vocation as his apprentices.

REFLECT on our **practice**

1. *What's something you've **learned about Jesus** and your life with him in the last year?*
2. Remembering that our journey with Jesus is a lifelong apprenticeship over the varied terrain of life—*how has your **"being with...learning from...living like"** Jesus evolved, ebbed, or flowed in the last year or more?*

READ **John 1.35-42**

REFLECT on the **passage**

3. ***What word, phrase, or observation** is the most interesting to you from this familiar passage? **Why?***
4. The first two disciples of Jesus were disciples of John the Baptist—until John pointed to Jesus, told them about Jesus, and they decided to approach Jesus. *What parallels do you see when it comes to **people's discipleship experience in our context?** In our **church?***
5. *How would you answer Jesus' question **"What are you looking for?"***
6. *What is the significance in Jesus renaming Peter?*
7. In addition to new disciples this year—*what can we **pause and pray** for right now?*

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Pray for our **YOUTH RETREAT** this weekend! **Parents** should stay for a quick meeting after church.
- **LADIES NIGHT** (Galentine's Day) is Friday, February 6th at the Crumpton's