



# HTC SMALL GROUP

## *Discussion Questions*

**Sermon Title:** Who Will You Follow?

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**Scripture:** John 1:35-42

**Speaker:** Pastor Rod Randall

Remember playing “follow the leader” as a child? What did you like/dislike about that game? Did you prefer to follow or lead?

Can you think of pursuits, values, or people that you once followed but no longer do? Have you ever stopped following something good because God had something even better for you?

### **READ John 1:35-40**

1. What do you think was going through Andrew’s mind when he stopped following John the Baptist to follow Jesus? Discuss the similarities and differences Andrew experienced between following John and following Jesus.
2. Andrew didn’t follow Jesus the first time John declared, “Look, the Lamb of God.” But on the second day when Jesus came back and John declared the same thing, Andrew followed. Why do you think he needed another prompt? Can you think of a time when you had yet to follow, so Jesus circled back around for you?

### **READ John 1:41-42, 6:8-9, 12:20-22**

3. What about Andrew bringing people to Jesus speaks to you? How can we be more like him?
4. Peter was not only included in the inner circle of Jesus (along with James and John), he was also the spokesman and leader for the early church. Yet Andrew was a disciple before Peter. How do you think he handled this? How have you learned to handle sibling rivalry in a godly way?
5. Do you have any sibling issues you are still trusting the Lord to resolve? This can be a good way to pray for one another.
6. When do you prefer to be in an “up-front” leadership role like Peter? When do you prefer being in the supporting cast like Andrew?
7. Read 1 Cor. 12:12-26. How does this speak to the differences between Andrew and Peter?
8. Andrew not only witnessed crowds being baptized by John, he got to baptize people on behalf of Jesus (John 4:2). Why would this responsibility have been meaningful to him?
9. Why is baptism such a central part of the Christian faith? Why does Harbor Trinity (along with other Baptist churches) practice baptism by immersion?
10. What stands out to you about your baptism?
11. Tradition says that Andrew was a missionary to many countries then died on an X shaped cross because he didn’t feel worthy to die on a cross like the one used for Jesus. In reflecting on Andrew’s life, is there anything else that speaks to you or inspires you?