

Discipleship

#6 "The Mission of Discipleship"

Goal- to explore ways we can be 'fishers of men'.

Open: Tell us about the biggest fish you've ever caught? How did you catch it? What's the secret to good fishing? (Go around the room and have everyone share their favorite fish story, including "the one that got away.")

Read: Matthew 4:18-20

- What promise did Jesus give to Simon and Andrew if they would come and follow him?
- How is fishing for men different from fishing for fish?

Compare these passages: Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16; Acts 1:8

- How are they alike? How are they different?
- What is the *primary* imperative in these commands of Jesus?
- How does one go about "making disciples?"
- What are we to teach?
- In your view, how important is evangelism to being a good disciple?

Discuss:

- What feelings do you feel when you think about your responsibility to share the gospel? Why?
 - Guilt
 - Intimidation
 - Other ?
 - Fear
 - Inadequacy
- What holds you back from being more pro-active in sharing your faith?

Read: Romans 10:14-15

- How "beautiful" would you say your feet are... based on this passage?
- How would you rate our church in this area of discipleship?
- How could we improve? What can we do to reach more people? Brainstorm some ideas....

Prayer- How can we pray for you today?