

**Matthew 4:18-22 (NIV)**

“As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” At once they left their nets and followed him. Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.”

**What we learn about the Kingdom**

- It won't follow cultural norms.
- Kingdom culture is relational.

**What we learn about Jesus**

- He walks in authority.

**What we learn about being a disciple**

1. You will ultimately only find fulfillment as you follow Jesus.
2. You don't have to be anything “special” to be called.

“The kingdom of God comes not with fanfare but through the gradual gathering of a group of socially insignificant people in an unnoticed corner of provincial Galilee.”  
(R.T. France)

3. Because you love Him, you obey Him.
4. Being a disciple costs you.
5. It's a process.

“We should emphasize that they are responding as much as they can to as much as they can understand at the time. Throughout Jesus' ministry there is an increasing understanding of who He is, and that increased understanding requires a corresponding adjustment of their commitment to Him.” Matthew Application Commentary

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