

Investing is about choosing to spend time with those who don't yet know Jesus. Where and with whom does this happen in your life?

What can you do to invest in the relationships that already exist in your life? Think of 1 or 2 specific examples.

Intersecting is about God's story overlapping with your story, your story overlapping with theirs and eventually God's story overlapping with theirs. How can we bring God into the flow of regular conversations? Brainstorm some ideas together.

If time permits look at John 4:1-26 to learn how the Master did this.

There comes the time when we need to invite others to follow Jesus. What thoughts come to mind as you think about doing that?

In Mark 12:30-31 Jesus said we should love God and love people. How do we love God? How do we love people? What is the single most loving thing you think we can do for people?

Let's Pray

For:

- Alice McFarlane for her work as a Senior Wilderness Instructor with Coldwater Foundation in Grand Marais, MN.
- For each other that we would seek to follow Jesus more closely and be open to the transformational work HE is doing in our lives.
- For our willingness to share the Gospel with people who need to be rescued.

Sermon Notes

April 10, 2016

"I Heard It From a Friend- Part 2"

Matthew 4:18-20

Introduction and a quick look back

A disciple is committed to _____ Jesus.

A disciple is committed to being _____ by Jesus.

Moving forward:

Softening our hearts

- Confess/Repent – 1John 1:9
- Right perspective - Romans 5:3-5
- Choose obedience – Joshua 24:15
- Accountability – Proverbs 27:17

Transformational tools of Jesus:

- The Holy Spirit working through
 - The Bible
 - The church
 - Prayer

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The case for being fishers of men:

- Philemon 6
- Romans 10:13-15
- Matthew 28:16-20
- Acts 1:8

The strategy

Intercede

Invest

Intersect

Invite

Conclusion-Connecting the dots; Mark 12:30-31; Matthew 4:19; Luke 5:1-11; Matthew 28:16-20

Video resources

Skit Guys - God's Chisel Remastered

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3QCKBL2DFVg>

On Right Now Media

- David Platt - *Your Life on Mission Matters*

Ted Talks – Celeste Headlee: 10 ways to have a better conversation

- http://www.ted.com/talks/celeste_headlee_10_ways_to_have_a_better_conversation

Small Group Homework

For the week of April 10, 2016

Getting Started: How has God worked in your life this week?

Read: Read Matthew 4:18-22

Digging Deeper:

If the only scripture you had was Matthew 4:19 how would you define a disciple of Jesus?

What do we learn about being a disciple when we read Luke 9:23?

Read Romans 12:1-2. How are we transformed? How are our minds renewed?

Thinking about Philemon 6; Matthew 28:16-20; Romans 10:13-15; Acts 1:8 what conclusions do you come to?

Interceding is about praying for those who don't yet have a relationship with Jesus. Talk about how we should pray for the lost.