

Mission Mindset Quiet Time Series

January- The Call to the Mission

Week 3: Mark 1

Mark 1:14-17

- Jesus calls the disciples to follow him. To follow a Rabbi or to be their disciple meant that you would give up all of who you were to be the living breathing copy of the person you were following. How they interpreted the law, you interpreted the law, what they taught, you taught, how they applied the law and lived, you applied the law and lived.
- The first disciples would have understood what it meant to be a disciple, but notice they don't ask what does Jesus teach, how does he interpret the law, what does he teach in regards to roman occupation, women's rights, taxes, etc.
 - *What other questions would you think the disciples would have asked?*
 - *What about the unknown causes us to hesitate?*
 - *Why does Jesus desire his disciples to fish for men?*

Mark 1:18

- The disciple's reaction is immediate and radical. They completely drop their lives and follow Jesus into the unknown.
 - *Why do you think the disciples gave up everything to follow Jesus?*
 - *What about Jesus allowed them to trust Jesus and His calling?*
 - *What are the "nets" in your life now? What are the things that are intimidating for you to give up?*
 - *Why should we trust Jesus and his calling today?*

Mark 1:19-20

- Again we see the same radical, reckless abandon of their lives in the desire to follow Jesus wherever He may lead. Leaving their comfort, their families, their homes, their jobs, everything they knew to follow Jesus' calling and to change the world.
 - *Where is Jesus calling you to follow? Where is He calling you to fish for men?*

The call to follow Jesus into the unknown, to give up our current lives and follow Jesus onto the mission field involves great faith. This week, reflect on the reasons why we can trust Jesus even into the unknown.