

A wooden boat is shown from a high-angle perspective, resting on a wooden floor. The boat's interior is lined with blue fabric, and it contains a large coil of fishing net and a wooden oar. The scene is lit with warm, golden light, creating a textured, artistic atmosphere.

Follow Me

LIVING OUT THE CALL

Mark 1:14-18

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Mark 1:14-18

¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him.

Mark 3:13-15

¹³ And he went up on the mountain and called to him those whom he desired, and they came to him. ¹⁴ And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach ¹⁵ and have authority to cast out demons.

Sermon in 9 sentences

Jesus offers a distinct paradigm for discipleship which, when applied, creates a clear pathway for following him.

Repent & Believe

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Repentance

For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.

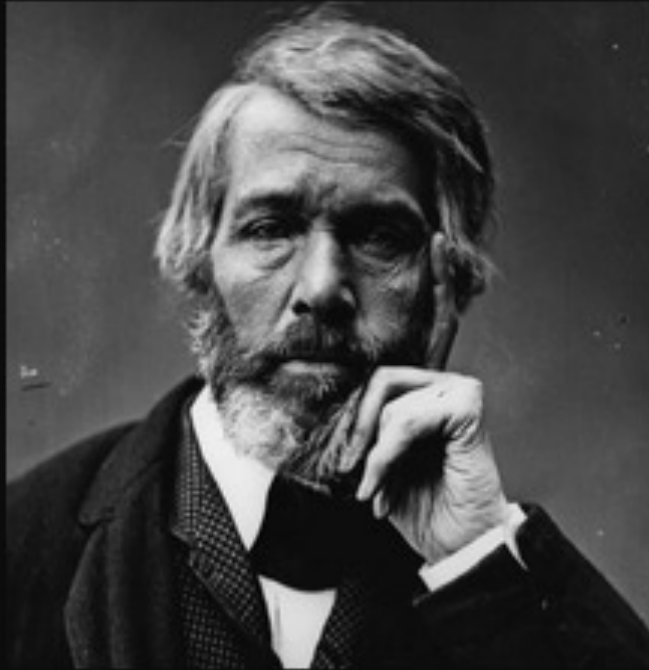
–2 Corinthians 7:10

Repentance

Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God,

–Hebrews 6:1

Repentance



Of all acts of man repentance is the most divine. The greatest of all faults is to be conscious of none.

~ Thomas Carlyle

Repentance

Four marks of true repentance are: acknowledgement of wrong, willingness to confess it, willingness to abandon it, and willingness to make restitution.

Corrie ten Boom

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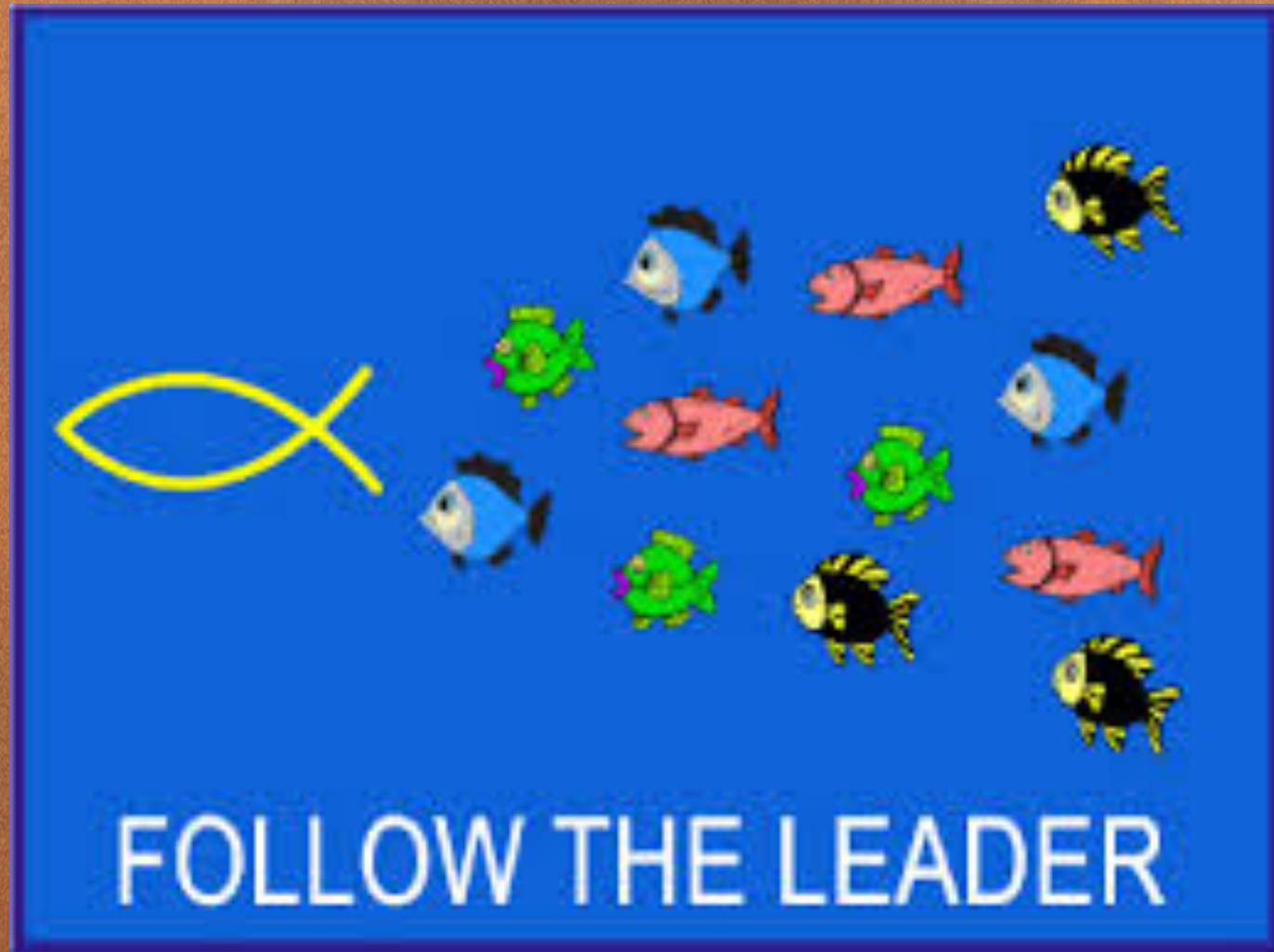
For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

–John 3:16

Following

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Jesus says, “I want you to follow me so fully, so intensely, so enduringly that all other attachments in your life look weak by comparison.”

–Tim Keller

A whole new generation of Christians has come up believing that it is possible to ‘accept’ Christ without forsaking the world.

–A. W. Tozer

Following

When we come to Christ, we're no longer the most important person in the world, Christ is. Instead of living only for ourselves, we have a higher goal; to live for him. —Billy Graham

If I am going to know Jesus, I must obey him. The majority of us don't know Jesus because we have not the remotest intention of obeying Him. —Oswald Chambers

Following

Those who aren't following Jesus aren't his followers. Its that simple. Followers follow and those who don't follow aren't followers. To follow Jesus means to follow Jesus into a society where justice rules, where love shapes everything. To follow Jesus means to take up his dream and work for it.

–Scot McKnight

Friendship

¹⁴ And he appointed twelve (whom he also named apostles) so that they might be with him and he might send them out to preach ¹⁵ and have authority to cast out demons.

Friendship

No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.

—John 15:5



Friendship

I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you... When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth

—John 16

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REPENTANCE

A Daring Call to Real Surrender

Application:

Repent & Believe

Do I understand
repentance & practice it
in my daily relationship
with Jesus?

Application: Repent & Believe

Have I put my faith in Christ Jesus as my Lord and Savior?

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

–Romans 10:9-10

Belief

I admit I am a sinner and need your forgiveness; I believe that Jesus Christ died in my place paying the penalty for my sins. I am willing right now to turn from my sin and accept Jesus Christ as my personal Savior and Lord. I commit myself to you and ask you to send the Holy Spirit into my life, to fill me and take control and to help me become the kind of person you want me to be. Thank you father for loving me. In Jesus' name. Amen

Application: Following

Following List: What does the Bible say?

- My devotion
- My time
- My marriage
- My parenting
- My money
- My thoughts & words

Application: Friendship

We cannot earn more of His love with good behavior. Even as we do not forfeit His love when we fail. He loves us as we are and not as we should be. We don't change so that He will love us. He loves us so we can change. "It is His kindness that leads us to repentance."

–Romans 2:4

–Michael Card

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