

# Encountering Christ: The First Disciples

Life Group Questions – February 12, 2012

**Pastor Steve – (John 2:35-51)**



## **Connect**

1. What one or two people would you say were most instrumental in inviting you to “come & see” Christ? Share your story with your group.
2. When is the last time you shared your faith with someone? What was it like? Why do you think God wants us to do that?

## **Study**

1. Read John 1:35-37. What impresses you once again about John the Baptist? How might John’s willingness to let his disciples speak to our lives (this question is especially important for parents)?
2. Read John 1:38-39. What do we learn about *encountering Christ* in these verses? Can any of you relate to Andrew or John? If so, how?
3. Read John 1:40-42 as well as John 6:8-9 and John 12:20-22. What do we learn about Andrew? Do you know anyone like Andrew? Who? What would it look like for you to be more like Andrew?
4. The words “Jesus *looked at* him [Peter]” means Jesus looked past the surface and deep into Peter’s heart. Has that ever happened to you? When?
5. Why does Jesus give Peter a new name? Has He done the same for us? Share some of the “names” we have been given if we are “in Christ.”
6. Read John 1:43-49. What most inspires you about Jesus in these two encounters?
7. Read Genesis 28:10-15. How does Jesus say He fulfilled this Scripture in John 1:50-51?
8. What was the most important thing you needed to hear when it comes to inviting others to encounter Christ today? How will it change the way you view evangelism, if any?
9. Who are the people God has placed in your life that He may be asking you to invite to “come and see” Jesus for themselves? What are you going to do about it?

## **Pray**

As you wrap up your gathering, consider a time of prayer where each person can pray for any people the Lord has placed on their hearts who have not yet encountered Christ and for the role He might have for them in inviting them to “come and see.”