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Studying God's Word is one of the the best ways to grow your relationship with God, be tuned to the Holy Spirit, and get to know Jesus intimately. John 1 tells us that the Word is God, the writer of Psalms tells us it will light our path, and Jesus tells us in John 8 if we abide in His Word, we are truly His disciples.

This tool is just oe of the many ways to study the Bible and dive deeper into the passafes we will be studying each weekend together. Our hope is that you begin to deeply understand the scripture we will be unpacking and allow God to speak to your heart before you even walk through the doors on Sunday.

This tool is designed to help guide you as you seek to understand the context of each verse, what it meant to uts original audience, and what it means to us today.

There are a few ways you can utilize this PDF.

- 01** Print the PDF.
-or-
- 02** Download the PDF, open in a notes app (GoodNotes, Notability, etc), fill it out digitally.
-or-
- 03** Use the PDF to transcribe into a notebook or journal.

5 Marks of a Disciple

- Obey God's Word Completely
- Love His Church Wholeheartedly
- Follow the Holy Spirit Relentlessly
- Seek the Lost Intentionally
- Know Jesus Intimately



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Week of March 20th // Conversation: March 26th // **Luke 5:1-11**
“Fishers of Men” - pt 3

In Luke 5:1-11, Luke shares the story of how Jesus called the first disciples. What is a disciple? Someone that follows Jesus and leads others to do the same. It is someone who:

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In this week’s message, we’re going to be taking a look at what it looks like to love His Church wholeheartedly.

pray.

Take time to quiet your mind before settling into this study. You’re interacting with the very Word of God! When Jesus prayed in John 17, He said that God’s Word is truth (John 17:17). Ask the Father to guide you in all truth as you begin your study today.

observe.

Using different colors, mark the following key words in the text that has been printed out for you below. Using colors helps you see the main focus of the text!

01

In Acts 2 and 4 listed below, circle every reference to the believers including pronouns like they and their.

ACTS 2:42-47 (ESV)

On the day of Pentecost, Peter gave a message in Acts 2. About 3,000 people believed and were baptized. Let's pick up at this point in Acts...

⁴² And they [the believers] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Acts 4:32-35 (ESV)

³² Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³ And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵ and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

02

In 1 Corinthians 12 listed below, put a box around the word .

1 Corinthians 12:26-27 (NLT)

²⁶ If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it, and if one part is honored, all the parts are glad. ²⁷ All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it.

interpret.

- 01** Make a list of all the things the believers were doing in Acts 2 and 4.
- 02** What happens if one part of the body of Christ suffers in 1 Corinthians 12?
- 03** How about if one part is honored?

apply.

01 Do you have the mindset of the early believers? Are you willing to donate, sell or give your material goods for the benefit of others who are in need? Spend some time examining your heart and pray to God and ask Him to give you a generous heart.

02 2. Do you rejoice when a part of the body is honored? Do you suffer when a part of the body suffers? How connected do you feel with body of Christ in your walk with the Lord today? Reaching out through the “What’s Next?” cards at Gateway is a great way to get more connected in the body!

bring it together.

When the church first began on the day of Pentecost, all who believed had everything in common. They were brand new believers, freshly filled with the Holy Spirit, and it showed in their actions towards one another. They were selling their possessions and distributing to anyone who had need.

This is one of the marks of a disciple we've identified at Gateway - loving the church wholeheartedly. How's your heart towards the church body today? Do you have anything you need to bring up with God? Spend some time examining your walk with Him and ask Him to give you a mindset that loves His church wholeheartedly.

connect.

We are available to answer any questions you might have.

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We believe life is better in circles. Groups are a great place to grow in your relationship with other believers and find encouragement and accountability as you grow in your relationship with God.

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