

Follow the Rabbi

- Living what we preach

Slide: John 1:4-5, 14 In him was life, and that life was the light of men. That light shines in the darkness, and yet the darkness did not overcome it...The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We observed his glory...full of grace and truth.

- Jesus is the source of light-we have to come to him for the light
- His light is full of Grace and Truth
 - Shining light in someone's face, someone's path

As followers we all have to come to him as our Rabbi-our source of light

- A relationship where He calls the shots and we learn to live and he lives

Slide: Luke 6:40 A disciple is not above his RABBI, but everyone who is fully trained will be like his Rabbi.

- All followers of God have something in common-we are not the source of life, we have to come and follow our rabbi.

Slide: Holier than thou

- Why do we hate it when people come across as Holier than thou
 - It gets under our skin when people think that they are better than us.

No follower of Jesus should ever act like this because no matter who we are we all have to follow Jesus.

Blake's Story (An open Book)

- Grew up in a christian home, prayed the prayer-didn't want to go to hell
- Live the american dream and call my own shots.
- In Mexico-I want to know you
- Jesus started writing my story and I can see how He has blessed me
 - What happens when you don't walk in the light

Terry's story (A barber chair)

- Saved at 13
- Courtney sold me Jesus when I was trying to sell him insurance
- My pulpit is my barber chair and I share my life and perspective with my clients
- Share the lessons from when I follow and when I didn't follow.

Nathanael (Fig Tree)

John 1: 43- 51 43 The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. He found Philip and told him, "Follow me."44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the hometown of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the law (and so did the prophets): Jesus the son of Joseph, from Nazareth."

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46 "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Nathanael asked him."Come and see," Philip answered. 47 Then Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said about him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit."48 "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked."Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you," Jesus answered. 49 "Rabbi," Nathanael replied, "You are the Son of God; you are the King of

Israel!" 50 Jesus responded to him, "Do you believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this." 51 Then he said, "Truly I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

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Even if you don't have a crazy testimony you still have to come to Jesus, he is the source of light

Matthew/Levi (Tax booth)

Luke 5:27-32 27 After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at the tax office, and he said to him, "Follow me." 28 So, leaving everything behind, he got up and began to follow him. 29 Then Levi hosted a grand banquet for him at his house. Now there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others who were guests with them.

30 But the Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" 31 Jesus replied to them, "It is not those who are healthy who need a doctor, but those who are sick. 32 I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

What image reminds you of your relationship with God?

- Here is a way to tell your story, is there an item that represents your story,