



DISCUSSION GUIDE

Week Two
Matthew 10:1-4

PRAY

Invite the Spirit of God into your midst. Pray for the ability to be present in conversation and open to the Spirit's leading.

DISCUSS

Use this section to get the group warmed up a bit. You can use one of these questions, or you could write your own based on this week's message.

As Pastor Kevin has taken a look at the profiles of these disciples over the past two weeks, which has resonated the most with you? Why? Whose story do you feel like you can most relate to?

READ MATTHEW 10:1-4

DISCUSS

Pastor Kevin pointed out that Andrew was motivated to introduce his brother Simon to Jesus (John 1:42-43). That introduction radically changed the course of Simon's life, and gave us the ministry and example of Peter. How could you be an "Andrew" for someone in your life? What steps do you need to take to increase the urgency with which you seek to introduce people in your life to Jesus?

James and John, the "Sons of Thunder" had an embarrassing moment recorded in Luke 9:51-56. What do examples of the failures of the disciples (and Jesus' response to them) teach us?

As we see when we look at the life and ministry of the apostles, following Jesus means we will face opposition and will pay a heavy price. Talk about the cost or opposition you have faced to follow Jesus.

Do you people recognize you as someone who has been with Jesus?

Talk about Matthew's acknowledgment of his role as a tax collector. What might this passage have to say about the culture in America today?

How have you allowed (or are allowing right now) your past to hold you back from the mission God has for you?

How are you going to rely on the power of Jesus as you enter your mission field this week? How can we help?



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