

Follow week 1 - 'Everyday certainty' - CG notes

Getting started

What's your highlight moment of the Christmas and new year break?

Getting stuck in

We are looking at finding certainty in an uncertain world.

- What does the word 'certainty' mean or convey to most people do you think?
- Where do you see 'uncertainty' in the world and in people at the moment?

Our big idea at the start of this series is this...

Every day is an invitation from Jesus to follow Him

Read Matthew 9 v.9-13 and then Matthew 4 v.18-20.

Imagine yourself in this story hearing Jesus invite you to 'follow me'.

- What might some of your questions to Jesus be?
- Their response is powerful and seemingly immediate, why do you think they responded this way?

At the heart of what it means to follow Jesus is a simple response to follow Jesus!

- Why and how have we made things more complicated?
- What should our lives look like if we are actively following Him do you think?
- What kind of things can cause us to stop actively following him?

Getting practical

- Whether you set goals or resolutions or not when it comes to following Jesus this year what are some of the things you'd like to develop, begin to do or do differently?
- At the end of this year how would you like to look at your spiritual life in 2022?
- When it comes to your groups pursuit of Jesus, how would you like that to look at the end of 2022?

Spend some time praying for each other and praying for the group....

Going deeper

Read the story of the encounter between the risen Jesus and the disappointed Peter in John 21

- Why is this such a powerful story?

Peter has stopped following Jesus as he thinks it's all over and he has failed him...

- Why is what Jesus does and says so important and powerful to us in our lives right now?