



PASTOR BOB
March 24th, 2019



“SIMPLE BEGINNINGS”

How Jesus Began

MARK 1:14-20

➤ **Junto Club**

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.” ~MARGARET MEAD

➤ **God’s Modus Operandi → Lamb, Dove, Seed, Yeast**

As Jesus Began...

HE PREACHED a SIMPLE _____ *vss.14, 15*

1. **“The kingdom is near!”** LUKE 17:20, 21; ROMANS 14:17

- **Kingdom citizens live** _____
- **Kingdom citizen are** _____
- **Kingdom citizens are** _____

2. **“Repent and believe the good news”** LUKE 2:10-18

➤ **“Repent”** ROMANS 3:23; 6:23; 5:8

*Everybody thinks of changing Humanity
and nobody thinks of changing Himself. ~LEO TOLSTOY*

➤ **“Believe”** ROMANS 10:9, 10

HE GATHERED SIMPLE _____ *vss.16-20*

1. **Simple** _____ 1 CORINTHIANS 1:26-31; JAMES 2:5

2. **Simple** _____ MATTHEW 11:28, 29; 2 CORINTHIANS 11:3

3. **Simple** _____

“Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.” ~THEODORE ROOSEVELT

LIFE GROUP STUDY NOTES
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GETTING STARTED *“In your opinion...”*

1. Sunday’s sermon focused on the simple message Jesus preached and the simple messengers he invited to follow Him. Of anything that you remember, was anything helpful?
2. Have you ever been a part of a small group of dedicated people that made a big difference in their cause? Explain.
3. Why is the “*size of the fight in the dog*” more important than the “*size of dog in the fight*”? Why is God more interested in the quality of our walk with Jesus than the size of our group?
4. Why do people more excited about significant numbers than significant personal change?

GOING DEEPER *“According to the Bible...”*

Answer the following questions from what the Bible says in the suggested reading

- **Read 2 Corinthians 7:10, 11. Paul says godly sorrow results in repentance. What actions in verse 11 indicate genuine sorrow and repentance?**
- **Read James 2:14-26. Belief and faith are two words that mean the same thing. What are the two kinds of belief/faith? What kind of belief/faith saves a person? Why?**
- **Read Matthew 4:18-20. What does Jesus mean to “*fish for people*”? Do you think it is Jesus’ intention that every person who follows Him also learn how to fish for people? What is involved in fishing for people?**
- **Read Mark 2:18-22. What do “*new wineskins*” and “*new wine*” represent? What do “*old wineskins*” represent?**
- **ADVANCED Study: Read Matthew 7:21-23. Why did God say he never knew these people? What is the difference between doing a *work for God* and doing the *will of God*?**

LIVING OUT

- **Are you willing to focus more on your own personal spiritual walk with Jesus than the numbers in our group?**