

Youth



✓ Prepare in Advance

Facilitator: In advance of the session:

- Retrieve, review, and have ready the video's listed below (links are provided on this session's webpage).
- Have the *Bible Background Video* ready to view.

✓ Repent

Read Mark 1:14-20 and watch the *Bible Background Video* for this session.

Use these questions to help facilitate discussion.

- What do you think it means to repent? Is this the message most Christians preach today? Why or why not?
- Why would the disciples drop everything to follow someone they just met? What would your opinion be of someone who did the same thing today? Why?
- What did the characters in this text give up to follow Jesus? Could they have followed Jesus without giving up these things? Why or why not?

✓ Actions

- Have you ever known someone who gave up everything to follow something else? Why would someone do that? Do you think it is necessary to give up something in order to seek something else? Why?
- What is it about Jesus that makes you want to follow him?
- What does Jesus ask you to give up in order to do so?
- Show the Following Christ video.
- What were your impressions of this video? How does it relate to the discussion so far?
- What are some of the things that make us resist following Christ? Why do our actions rarely measure up to our desire to follow Christ?
- Do you think teenagers would follow Christ if it meant leaving all their stuff, and their family and friends? Why or why not?

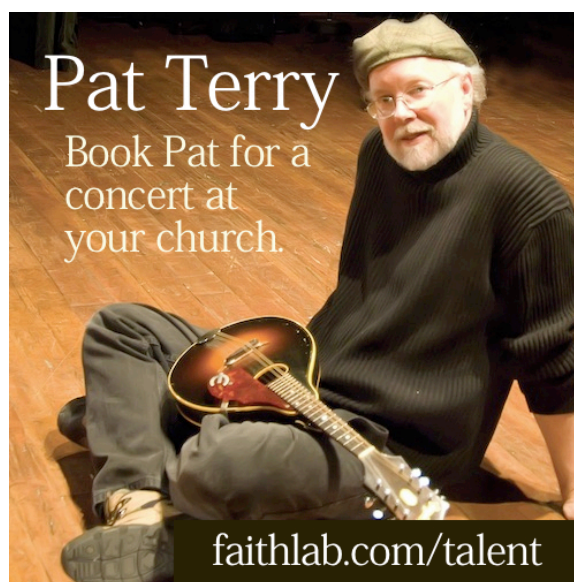
✓ Follow

Play the Follow You video.

- What words or images from this video made an impression on you? Why?
- If a teenager today committed to following Christ, where do you think Christ would lead them?

- What does it mean to “give all myself” to Christ? Why is that not a one time thing?
- Why do people think following Christ is something you only do on Sundays?
- Why must we repent and believe before we follow Christ?
- Why do you think Christ asks so much of us in order to follow him?

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