



Grab Gather and Grow

Grab this study, Gather a few people,
and Grow in faith

SCRIPTURE

(read over the scripture together)

John 1:29-42

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one about whom I said, ‘He who comes after me is really greater than me because he existed before me.’ Even I didn’t recognize him, but I

came baptizing with water so that he might be made known to Israel.” John testified, “I saw the Spirit coming down from heaven like a dove, and it rested on him. Even I didn’t recognize him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘The one on whom you see the Spirit coming down and resting is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’

I have seen and testified that this one is God’s Son.”

The next day John was standing again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus walking along he said, “Look! The Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard what he said, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he asked, “What are you looking for?” They said, “Rabbi (which is translated *Teacher*), where are you staying?” He replied, “Come and see.” So they went and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two disciples who heard what John said and followed Jesus was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated *Christ*). He led him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon, son of John.

You will be called Cephass” (which is translated *Peter*).

DISCUSSION

Our Question today from Children: **Does God have a purpose for my life?**

Most Christians in the United States today have simply grown up with the belief that Jesus is the Savior sent by God. Discuss how you grew up. What role did faith in Christ play in your growing up?

Jesus walked up to the disciples in today’s story and asks “What are you looking for?” So what are we looking for in our world today? What types of a “Savior” are we wanting today?

The disciples said they were looking for a teacher. Discuss some of the people in your life that played the role of a teacher? How did they help you discover purpose?
What role does Jesus' teachings play in your life?

When you look around the room who do you see? SeeAllthePeople.
Describe them, try to come up with their story?
Now look again, what does God see when God looks at them? Discuss.

What is your purpose?

SERVE

Change for Change this week: KidPack. Save your change, or make a special donation to change for change this week. KidPack is a local mission, and at BUMC each month we assemble them, and take them over to Park Center and Brooklyn Middle School and the social workers hand them out to students.

Put together a pack of you own, for local neighborhood kids, for homeless, for a patient at rehab or hospice or chemo ... and hand them out.



AT HOME THIS WEEK

Share, Read, Talk, Pray and Bless your way through life this week.

SUNDAY: John 1:29

MONDAY: John 1:30-31

TUESDAY: John 1:32-33

WEDNESDAY: John 1:34

THURSDAY: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

FRIDAY: Psalm 62:5-12

SATURDAY: Mark 1:21-28 (1/28/17 sermon Text)

BLESSING "God sees you, sees you as valuable and significant, sees you as you are and as you can be."

