

#5 Into a Life of Spiritual Impact

Matthew 4:19

1. Finishing where we started: Following Jesus requires discipline. Specifically it requires intentional, focused, **GRACE-DRIVEN** effort.

"By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples." John 15:8

2. "FOLLOW ME" -- to Andrew and Peter, ~ 29 AD

Today, Jesus invites us to follow Him into a life of:

- Feeding on GOD'S WORD -- John 8:31-32
- AGAPE Love -- John 13:34-35
- JOYOUS Self-Denial -- Matthew 16:24-25
- Spiritual FRUITFULNESS -- John 15:7-8
- Spiritual **IMPACT** -- Matthew 4:19

3. "...and I will make you fishers of men."

Go therefore and MAKE DISCIPLES of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:19-20

4. Make Disciples... where? IN YOUR OIKOS.

Oikos (n.) appears 114 times in the New Testament.

Definition: house, home, a physical edifice; of royalty: palace; of deity: temple; <u>by extension: family, lineage, people who live in or originated in a particular house.</u>

It means "your household" and refers to family **AND OTHERS**.

Not just the people under your roof but *your relational world, the group of people in your life.*

Your oikos = YOUR PEOPLE

- Who are the 8-15 people in your oikos?
- How do you pray for them?
- How do you speak to them about Jesus?

My Oikos (a start)

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