

Matthew 4:12-25

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Intro

1. Faith

Greek word metanoio: **meta (change); nous (mind)**

You need to change your mind about sin.

Your sins have separated you and your God. (Isaiah 59:2)

Whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. (James 2:10)

You need to change your mind about salvation.

The gift of God is eternal life. (Rom.6:23)

By grace you're saved through faith and that not of yourselves it's the gift of God, not of works... (Eph. 2:8-9)

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "Just as Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in Him will have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God didn't send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. Whoever believes in Him isn't condemned, but whoever doesn't believe stands condemned already because they haven't believed in the name of God's one and only Son. (John 3:14-18)

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2. Following

"Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven?" **(Acts 1:11)**

1 Kings 9:11-13 - Solomon gave *twenty towns in the land of Galilee* to King Hiram of Tyre. (Hiram had previously provided all the cedar and cypress timber and gold that Solomon had requested.) But when Hiram came from Tyre to see the towns Solomon had given him, he wasn't pleased with them. "What kind of towns are these, my brother?" he asked. So Hiram called that area Cabul (which means "*worthless*"), as it's still known today.

Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things-- the things counted as nothing at all, and used them to bring to nothing what the world considers important. **(1 Cor. 1:26-28)**

3. Fishing

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Jesus: "Go into all the world and proclaim the Good News to everyone." (Mark 16:15)

4. Forsaking
