

# A JOURNEY TOWARD SIGNIFICANCE

## Amazing Encounters With Jesus – Part 5

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**Mark 9:33-35 (NIV)** “They came to Capernaum. When He was in the house, He asked them, ‘What were you arguing about on the road?’<sup>34</sup> But they kept quiet because on the way **they had argued about who was the greatest.**<sup>35</sup> Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, ‘If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all.’ ”

\_\_\_\_\_ characterizes  
the truly significant life.

## THE JOURNEY TO SIGNIFICANCE...

### 1. BEGINS WITH THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF JESUS

**Mark 1:16-20 (NLT)** “One day as Jesus was walking along the shores of the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and his brother, Andrew, fishing with a net, for they were commercial fishermen.<sup>17</sup> **Jesus called out to them, ‘Come, be My disciples, and I will show you how to fish for people!’**<sup>18</sup> And they left their nets at once and went with Him.<sup>19</sup> A little farther up the shore Jesus saw Zebedee's sons, James and John, in a boat mending their nets.<sup>20</sup> **He called them, too, and immediately they left their father, Zebedee, in the boat with the hired men and went with Him.**”

The call is for \_\_\_\_\_ to have a  
relationship with God like Jesus had!

### 2. CONTINUES BY \_\_\_\_\_ JESUS

**Mark 6:7-13 (NIV)** “Calling the Twelve to Him, He **sent them out two by two and gave them authority** over evil spirits.<sup>8</sup> These were His instructions: ‘Take nothing for the journey except a staff--no bread, no bag, no money in your belts.<sup>9</sup> Wear sandals but not an extra tunic.<sup>10</sup> Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town.<sup>11</sup> And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, shake the dust off your feet when you leave, as a testimony against them.’<sup>12</sup> They went out and preached that people should repent.<sup>13</sup> They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.”

Imitating Jesus never \_\_\_\_\_ once it begins.

**Matthew 28:19a (CEV)** “Go to the **people of all nations** and make them My disciples.”

**3. PAUSES TO \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_**

**God’s more concerned about your \_\_\_\_\_  
than He is concerned about your task.**

**Mark 6:30-32 (NLT)** “The apostles **returned to Jesus** from their ministry tour and **told Him all they had done** and what they had taught. <sup>31</sup> Then Jesus said, ‘**Let’s get away from the crowds for a while and rest.**’ There were so many people coming and going that Jesus and His apostles didn’t even have time to eat. <sup>32</sup> They **left by boat** for a quieter spot.”

**4. INCLUDES \_\_\_\_\_ THE SOURCE**

**Mark 9:17-19 (NIV)** “A man in the crowd answered, ‘Teacher, I brought You my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. <sup>18</sup> Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. **I asked Your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not.**’ <sup>19</sup> ‘O unbelieving generation,’ Jesus replied, ‘how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me.’ ”

**Mark 9:21-23 (NIV)** “Jesus asked the boy’s father, ‘How long has he been like this?’ ‘From childhood,’ he answered. <sup>22</sup> ‘It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if You can do anything, **take pity on us and help us.**’ <sup>23</sup> ‘If you can?’ said Jesus. ‘**Everything is possible for him who believes.**’ ”

**Mark 9:28-29 (NIV)** “After Jesus had gone indoors, His disciples asked Him privately, ‘Why couldn’t we drive it out?’ <sup>29</sup> He replied, ‘This kind can come out only **by prayer.**’ ”

**Through your \_\_\_\_\_ you get to know God...  
the power source Who makes the difference.**

**Serving is when you get involved in helping to  
meet the needs of others in the name of Jesus.**