

## Small Group Discussion Guide January 8, 2017

Sermon Title: "Sharing Jesus"

Sermon Text: John 1:35-42
Scripture Reading: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8,11

**Leader:** Please allow a moment for introductions/visiting, and then have someone

offer a brief prayer for God to meet with your group.

Getting Started: Did you make any New Year's resolutions? Why or why not?

## **Discussion:**

- **1.** Are you a person who likes to share a positive experience? Are you apt to recommend a movie, a restaurant or a vacation spot?
- 2. Please take a moment to recite WCC's mission statement: "The mission of Westside Community Church is to share Jesus: in worship- in relationship- in service." Make a diligent effort to commit this to memory and share it with the group throughout the month of January. Determine who will recite it next week.
- **3.** Who are the personalities in the sermon text for this week? Who is the preacher?
- **4.** As we look at this encounter, what steps were necessary to enable the disciples to share Jesus?
  - I Hear. (Reference: Romans 10:14 b) What was it that John said that captured their attention? (Reference: Vs.35) What is the imagery in this statement?
  - I Follow. (Reference: Vs.37) Upon hearing about Jesus, what was the disciples response? Have you heard of the gospel song: "I have decided to follow Jesus"? Following Jesus is a decision. When did YOU decide to follow him? (Pastor Dennis' did on April 25, 1965) Do you have a date? Maybe you have a season? Either way, the important thing is to HAVE MADE THAT DECISION!
  - I See. Upon following Jesus, the disciples asked a question. (Reference: vs. 38) What was Jesus' invitation to them? (Reference" Vs. 39) What happened as a result of his offer? What time was it? How long did they spend with Jesus? When is the last time you have spent some significant time with Jesus?
  - I Share. A lot of changes my occur when one finds Jesus, but it is most evidenced by their desire to share him with others. Have you ever shared Jesus with someone?
     No sweeter words are found that (Vs.42) "he b h t J ."
     Pray that God will open a door for you to share Jesus with someone today.

**Closing:** Close by praying for each other. Go and **SHARE JESUS!** 

