

Teaching Notes



LIFEgroup take home curriculum

These questions are based on Pastor *Jake Larson's* sermon on August 31, 2008 titled: "I Will Follow"
Feel free to listen to the sermon again online at: arcadechurchonline.com

I Will Follow: A Journey in Christ-likeness
"Counter-Culture"

Starter:

1. Share a significant experience in your life that connected you to a community.
2. Why did this experience bond you to others?

Deeper:

1. Read Exodus 12:31-42. What is the result of God's wrath on Egypt? How long were the Israelites in Egypt? What feelings and emotions do you think might have come over the Israelites as they left Egypt?
2. Read Acts 2:42-47 and Acts 4:32-37. What key principles were lived out by the first century church movement? What similarities existed between the exodus experience and the first church movement?
3. Read Colossians 1:3-14. What are the fruits of *communitas* for those who engage in the mission of the Lord?

Application:

1. How will you keep your community from sliding into the comfort and ease of secular community?
2. Make specific commitments as individuals and as a community group that will ensure practical movement towards developing *communitas*.
3. Pray in your community for the boldness and courage to live in the midst of trial, transition, and marginalization for Jesus and His mission.