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Change the World

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“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.”

Matthew 4:19

Change the World

It was the early spring of 2016 when I found myself at my Starbucks working diligently on ministry things. My phone rang and I hustled to answer only to hear the most ridiculous pick up line I've ever heard: “How'd you like to change the world with me?” the voice on the other end of the phone asked. Uh, what? How do I even answer that? Is he serious? Euwayne and I had been talking as friends for a while by that point, and it was becoming very evident he was interested in me. But I was so taken back by his question I hardly knew what to say. I imagine it was some fumbled giddy school-girl version of “uh huh!” Nevertheless, that question has helped shape our relationship even into marriage. He really meant it - and today we strive to make a difference in the world together.

Today, Jesus asks you the same question. "How'd you like to change the world with Me?" He invites you to:

1. **Draw close** to your Heavenly Father - especially when you don't feel you have the time, when you feel broken, when you don't have answers to your questions.
2. **Follow Jesus** - when there seems to be no way, He makes a way; will you trust Him enough to put your hand in His and see where He leads you and how He will provide for you?
3. **Be empowered** by the Holy Spirit to be a change catalyst on our campus and in the world.

We hope you'll prayerfully consider His question. Perhaps He's asked you before but something held you back from total surrender. We're here to help. You don't have to have everything figured out, nor do you have to be perfect. God needs you to say yes, and the rest will be history!

This upcoming weekend is called "Commitment Weekend" because we want each member of our campus to respond to Jesus' question by committing to Christ and to being used by Him. Join us at Vespers & Ministry Expo this Friday to be a part.

Commit to Jesus, follow Him, and experience the deeply satisfying joy of making the main thing, the Main Thing.

Reflection:

1. If you haven't committed to following Jesus, what do you think holds you back? What are you afraid of?
2. If you have committed your life to following Him but still struggle sometimes, you're not alone. Consider reaching out to a faculty, staff or church member and ask them to be a spiritual mentor.
3. Looking for a ministry to commit to this semester/year? Consider the things you are most passionate about. Maybe it's a ministry initiative that already exists, maybe it's waiting for you to dream it up and execute it!



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My greatest joy is listening to student's stories and teaching what it means to be in a real, intimate relationship with Jesus. I am also passionate about crafting intentional worship experiences. I hope you'll take a moment to stop by my office and share your story and your passions with me!

