

# FOLLOW CLOSELY

in Christ's Kingdom Priorities

## KINGDOM PRIORITY #2 - FAITH

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Introduction:

**Big Idea:** Go to \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ seeking his  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to restore.

◆ Go to \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.

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### Personal Reflection and Application:

1. To who or what am I tempted to run when I face a difficult circumstance? What does this reveal about where my faith lies?
2. Do I believe that Jesus' will is good? Am I confident in the goodness of his will so much so that I put my hope and trust in it?
3. Do I believe that Jesus is powerful enough to work out his good will in the difficult circumstances of life? How does this motivate me to remove all obstacles to get to him?
4. How can I see Jesus working out his eternal purposes in and through my immediate circumstances? Have I placed the proper emphasis on his eternal priorities over immediate results?



### Gospel Community Discussion Questions:

- 1) Which is harder for you to believe when you are faced with a difficult circumstance: that Jesus is good in his will? Or that Jesus is powerful in his control?
- 2) Read Luke 5:12. What is at the heart of the man's question? How can we follow his example in how he approached Jesus?
- 3) Read Luke 5:13-14. What do we learn about Jesus and how he desires to relate to us from these verses?
- 4) Read Luke 5:15-16. What part does prayer play in staying focused on the will of God?
- 5) Read Luke 5:17-21. Compare and contrast the attitudes and actions of the religious leaders against those of the paralyzed man and his friends. What do we learn about faith from these characters?
- 6) Read Luke 5:20-26. What do we learn from these verses about Jesus' power to restore? How is it demonstrated? How is it accessed? What is its purpose/end result?

### **Breakout Time**

Split your group into men and women to pray for one another and hold one another accountable. Catch up on ongoing prayer/accountability requests, and cry out to God for one another and for those to whom you are taking the gospel.

