

Simply Follow Jesus – He has called you.

Two Pictures

1. “Could you not watch with me for one hour?” (Matthew 26:26-36)
 - o We tend to over complicate life. Do you tend to fill up your life with busyness so that you don’t have that one hour?
 - o The heart of Jesus at that moment was wanting friendship at the hour of greatest need.
2. “For my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.” (Luke 19:41-46, Isaiah 56:7)
 - o God desires relationship, friendship, and time with you AND He desires relationship, friendship, and time with everyone on the globe.
 - o Let’s not miss the moment, let’s not miss the hour.

Isaiah 54:2-8

§ Is what we (I) are doing adequate enough to reach people and to build the Kingdom of God in this location?

§ What God is saying is, “Keep plugging away, I am going to enlarge what you are doing.” (Vs 2-3)

§ What is going to enlarge the impact we (you) have on our community? It will be the Spirit of God that moves through us (you) into the community.

§ (Vs 4) We have all not been a Christian. We all have a former life before Jesus.

- o The enemy likes to remind us of who we were and get us to forget who we are.
- o You know your story, where God has brought you from; know that God will take that story of redemption and use it to enlarge the Kingdom of God.

Isaiah 55

§ Verses 12 and 13 are promises - What transpired in verses 1-11 so that 12 and 13 can become a reality?

- § Are those things possible for every single human being?
- § If yes, then what stops us from actually doing what we read in Isaiah 55:1-11?
- § Are we a house of prayer? Are we a people who are seeking, listening to, and being obedient to God?

Isaiah 56:1-8

- § God is a God for you and God is a God for others. God loves you and God also loves others.
- § God wants a new generation to start in our community
- § Why? So His name can be known and worshipped where it is not yet known and worshipped.
- § Every gospel infused conversation (and action) could lead to a new lineage of faith. That should make us excited to get out of bed every morning.
- § It is about us BUT not only about us.
- § God has called us out to live Christ like lives for others.