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Baptisms at the Lake: Come, Follow Me

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Mark 1:16-18 (NIV): As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him.

Mark 1:19-20 (NIV): When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

Two Parts of Jesus' Ask

- Jesus' Invitation
- The Disciples' Response

The Ancient Ask

- The Disciples' Request
- The Rabbi's Acceptance

Three Ways We Should Respond to Jesus' Invitation

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WAY #1: Immediately

WAY #2: Publicly

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A relationship with Jesus is personal, never private.

WAY #3: Sacrificially

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