

# COME FOLLOW ME - Week 3

## Life Group Notes



### CONNECT QUESTIONS

What is the most creative thing you have ever made?

If you could have one super power, what would it be and why?

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**1 Peter 2:9-10** <sup>MSG</sup> says: “But you are the ones chosen by God, chosen for the high calling of priestly work, chosen to be a holy people, God’s instruments to do his work and speak out for him, to tell others of the night-and-day difference he made for you—from nothing to something, from rejected to accepted.”

85% of people come to faith in Christ through a friend or family member. Sharing about Jesus is relational! Who are the people in your mission field? Who are the people you are praying for?

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There are three things we can share with those who don’t know Jesus! Our hope, our Church, and our Saviour Jesus! We have an unswerving, unshakeable hope that is built on a solid foundation – we can have hope even in the face of trials and reversals. Check out **1 Peter 3:15-16** – what do these verses say to you about hope? How would you describe the hope that you have?

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When we get the opportunity, we need to be ready to tell people our story – to give them a reason for the hope that we have! There are three steps to sharing your story – have a go at writing your responses to these three steps, and then share your story with your group!

Step 1: Let me tell you my story – what was your life like before you knew Jesus?

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Step 2: How I came to know Jesus – what was your salvation experience?

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Step 3: The difference Jesus makes in our lives – what has been the difference in your life?

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Practice telling your story so that you are able to be natural and ready whenever there is an opportunity! Why do we need to be sharing our story? Marissa shared that we could liken church to a hospital – imagine if we tried to keep hospitals the same size, or smaller so they were more comfortable/friendly etc. We need spaces in our hospital to meet the huge needs in our communities – this is the same for church – we need to have a growth mindset. Check out **Luke 14:15-24** – what does this say to you?

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People have three questions that they want answered:

1. Can you help me?
2. Do you care about me?
3. Can I trust you?

We need to be intentional about loving people! We also need to take opportunities to invite people along to church – there are 52 Sundays in a year – Marissa gave us a challenge – how about you invite some-one to join you for 2 out of the 52 Sundays – what is your thoughts about this? Is this a challenge you feel you could respond do? Why? Why not?

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When we have opportunities to share about Jesus – we can give a reason for the hope that we have! Check out these Bible verses that can help us when sharing our stories – you may like to have a go at memorizing them too 😊

1. Tell people that God loves them – check out **John 3:16**
2. God has an incredible plan for their lives – check out **John 10:10**
3. Why? Because we are separated from God by sin – check out **Romans 6:23**
4. Good news – Jesus has paid our bill – taken our punishment – check out **Romans 5:8**
5. There is no other way but through Jesus – check out **John 14:6**
6. No other name has power to save – check out **Acts 4:12**

## PRAYER

Have a time of thanksgiving – thanking Jesus for the gift of salvation and the hope that we have!

Pray for the mission field that you are a part of – pray that you would be effective in telling your story.