UNTANGLED: UNTANGLING MY CALLING

For the week of October 6, 2019

Scripture: Matthew 4:18-22

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GOAL:

To understand that we are called out by Jesus to a life dedicated to Him and the expansion of His Kingdom.

GET GOING:

- This series we've been looking at how the gospel untangles different aspects of our lives. What area(s) of your life currently feels tangled up?

- Do you have a clear understanding of your calling as a Christian? If so, how would you say it in your own words.

- God calls us to a life of purpose. Do you feel like your life has purpose? If so, what would that purpose be?

- God doesn't need us, but chooses to use us. In your own words, explain why you think God chooses to partner with us in the building of His Kingdom.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." (Matthew 4:19)

KEEP GROWING:

- The original word for the "Church" in the Bible is *ekklessia*, which literally means the Church is made up of people who are "called out."
  - o From what has the Church been called out, and for what purpose?
  - o How would you rate the big "C" Church on its mission?
  - o How about Highpoint Church?
  - o How about you as an individual follower of Jesus?

- Have you responded to the call of Jesus in your life? If so, what does that look like in your daily life and decisions?

- Not everyone is called into full-time vocational ministry. But the calling of a pastor is to "equip the saints [that's you!!] for the work of *ministry, for building up the body of Christ"* (Ephesians 4:12). Every Christian is in full-time ministry in a sense that our calling is to expand the Kingdom of God in all context. Do you see your workplace as a place for ministry? Do your co-workers know you're a follower of Jesus? Do your social circles know? Does your family know?

BONUS CHALLENGE:

Write out your own mission statement to remind yourself of Jesus' calling on your life. Stick it in a place where you'll see it frequently (mirror, office, fridge, etc.).