



2nd Sunday after Epiphany

“Be Still, then Follow”

Small Group Study Guide (Or on your own)

OPENING TO GOD [2 Minutes]

Begin with 2 minutes of silence to invite the Holy Spirit.

HOOK: Engaging the Topic [15 Minutes]

**Feel free to “pass” if you would rather not answer a question.*

**Please be respectful of time and give everyone a chance to share.*

- 1) Go around and share your name and respond to, “How goes it with your soul?”
- 2) Who is the person who introduced you to Jesus Christ or invited you to your first Christian event?
- 3) Did you ever experience a loving Christian community outside of your family?

BOOK: Engaging the Word [15 Minutes]

Read John 1:43-51 *“The Story of the Word (Logos)”*

1. Jesus said to Philip, “follow me.” What did it mean for Philip to follow Jesus?
2. How do YOU follow Jesus?
3. What is the difference between following Jesus and following God?
4. If you could learn from someone, who would it be and why?

LOOK: look for the good stuff [10 Minutes]

Your presence in your communities of faith has a profound impact on the way that the community operates. This means that your spirituality and presence matters.

1. Why is it important for Jesus to be the Son of God?
2. Is Jesus fair? explain.
3. Is Jesus respectable? why or why or not?
4. Is Jesus transparent?
5. How are you planning to Be Still this week?

“TOOK” Find Jesus! [10 Minutes]

Do the following on your own.

1. Light a candle and be still for 5 minutes. Focus on just simply breathing.
2. Light a candle and sing a song or a hymn.
3. Light a candle and pray for someone or somewhere the light of Christ is truly needed. Make this your devotional act for this week.

Go In Peace [5 Minutes]

Close in prayer, thanking God and praying for our community and world as we head toward this new year.