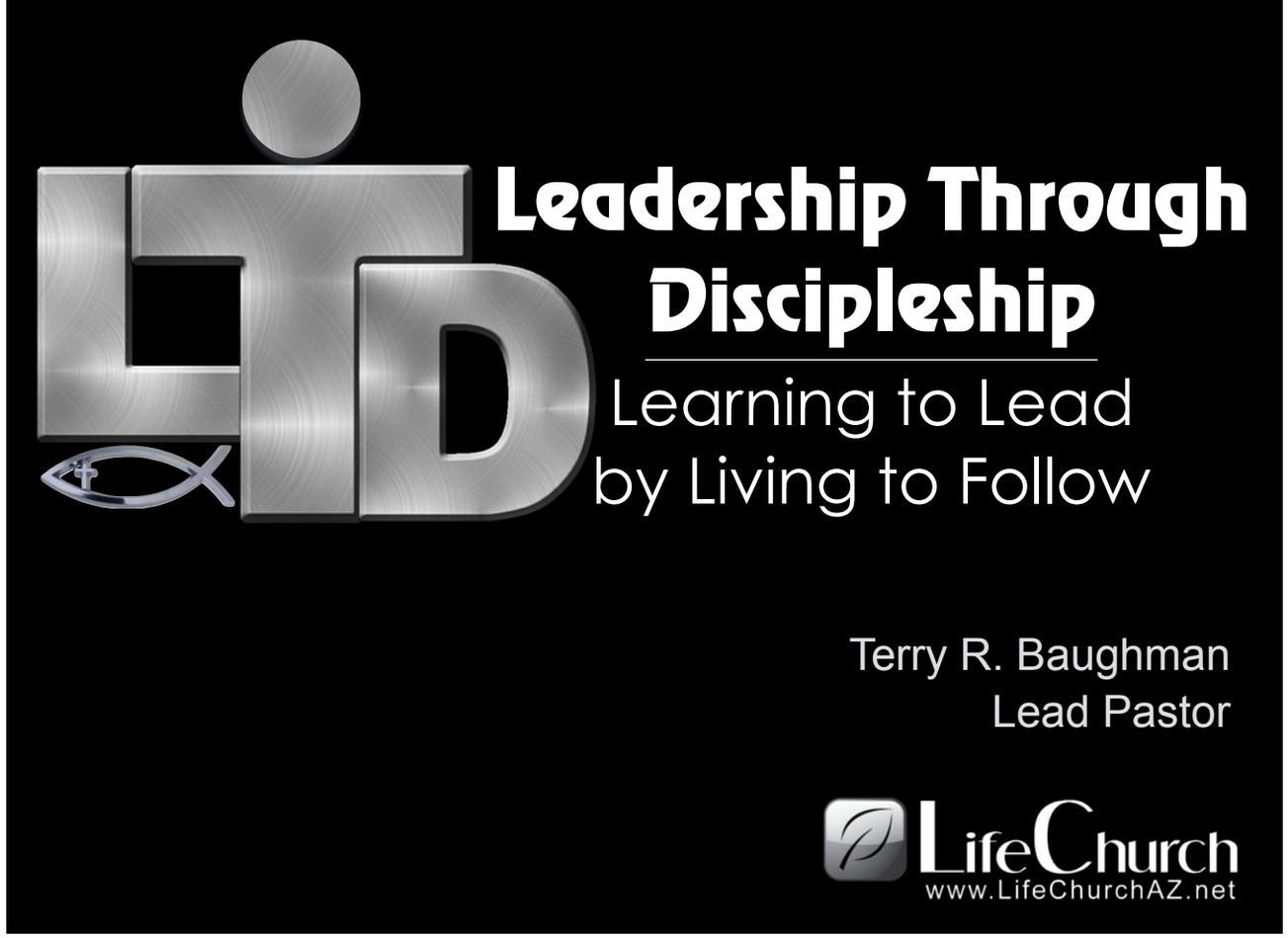
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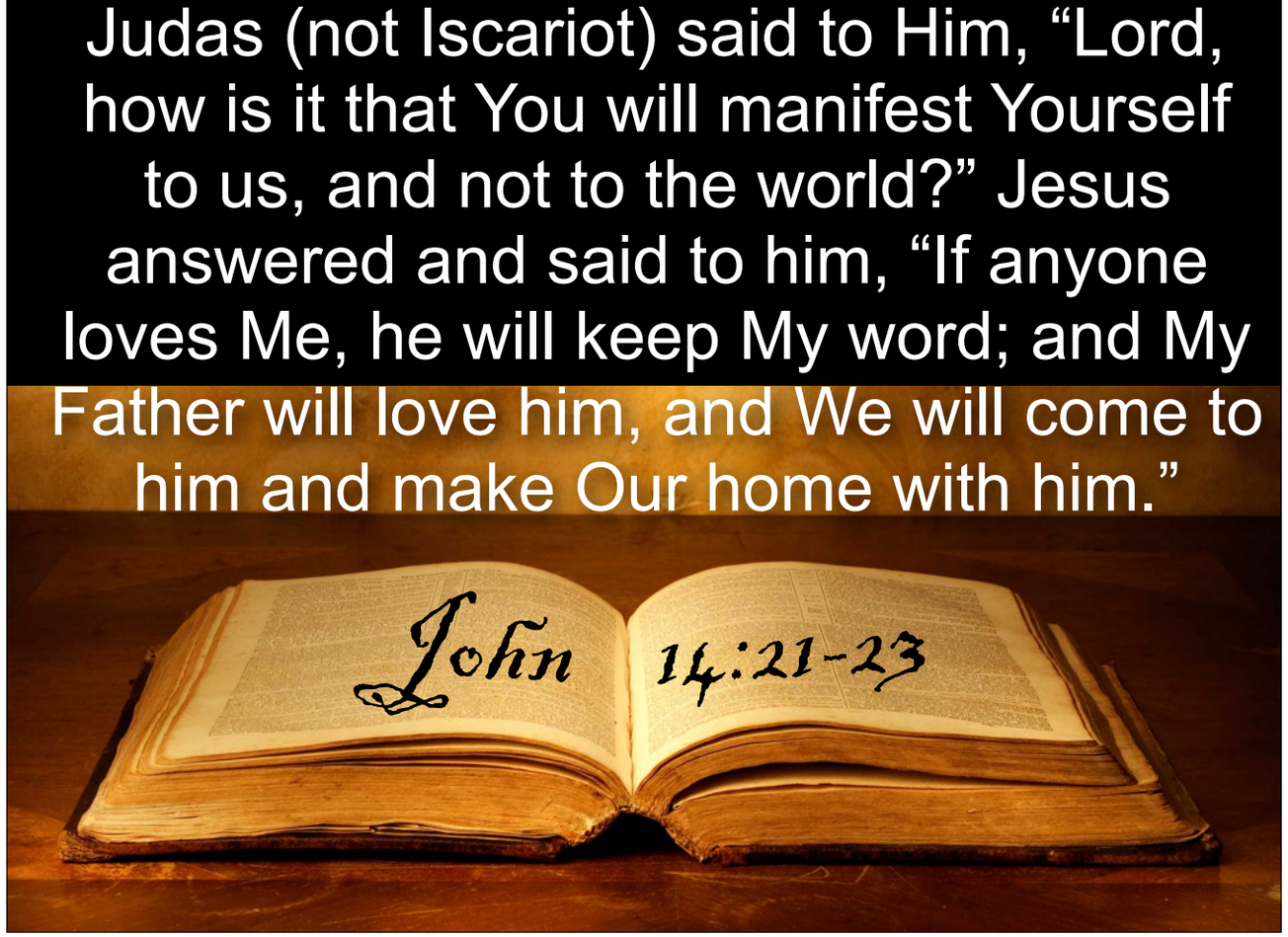

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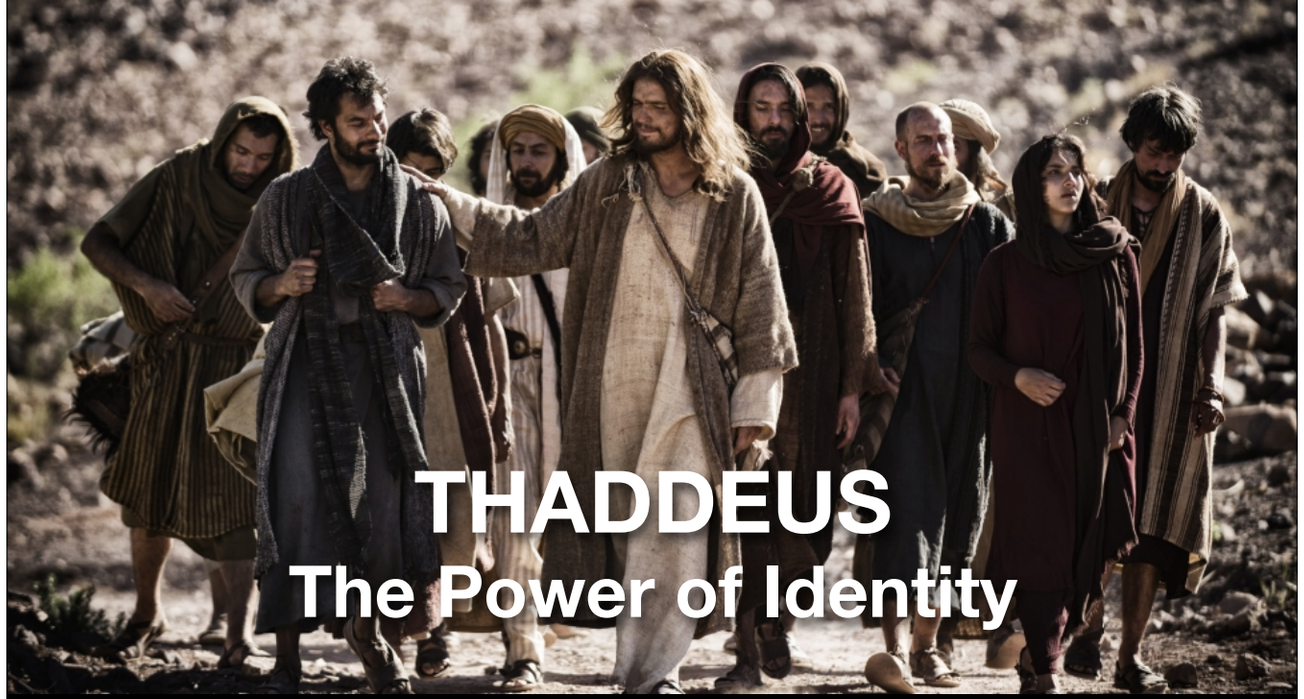

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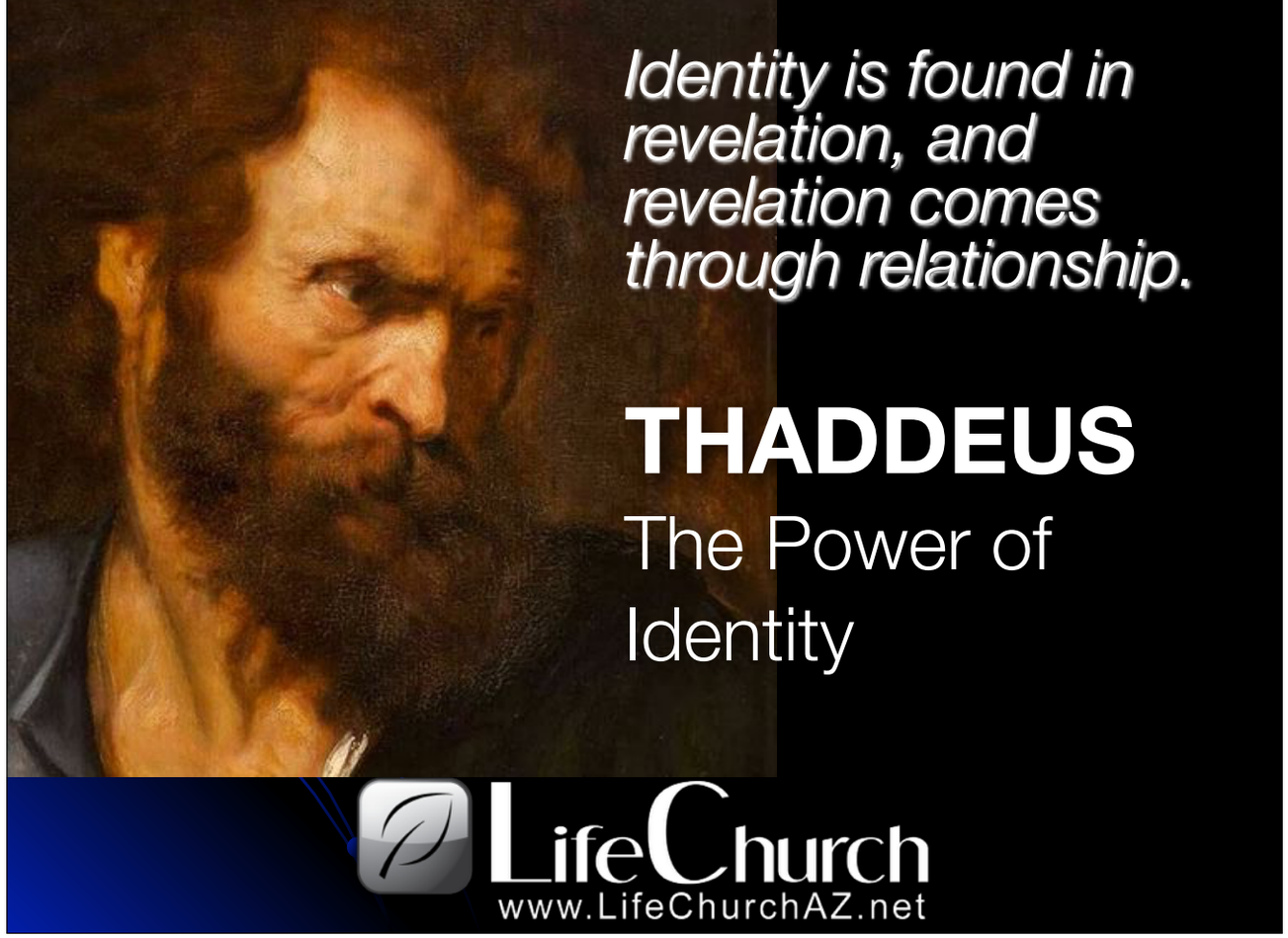

Thaddeus, The Power of Identity
Nothing is as personal as a name. A moniker is more than a handle, it is an identity. For a discipleship leader, identity is found in revelation, and revelation comes through relationship.

Some names evoke good feelings and positive memories. These names are often viewed with favor when we selecting names for children.

Other names result in an instant negative response based on a bad impression of one of the same name. Those names would never be chosen for one we loved.

The name becomes the identity in our mind. “A rose by another other name is just as sweet” might be a favorite quotation, but it is difficult to thing of a rose being sweet if it was called “limburger” or “skunk” or “rotten”!

Can a person’s attributes create a positive identity for a name? After meeting one with an “undesirable” name and getting to know the person, the perception of the name can change. What once was a negative identity can be changed by the good actions of one individual.

The Twelve in the Gospels & Acts

Matthew 10:2-4	Mark 3:14-19	Luke 6:13-16	Acts 1:12-13	John 1:40-49
9. James, son of Aphaeus	James, son of Aphaeus	James, son of Aphaeus	James, son of Aphaeus	21:2 Two other disciples
10. Lebbaeus, surname was Thaddaeus	Thaddaeus	Simon, called the Zealot	Simon, called the Zealot	”
11. Simon, the Canaanite	Simon, the Canaanite	Judas, son of James (Thaddaeus?)	Judas, son of James (Thaddaeus?)	14:22 Judas, (not Iscariot)
12. Judas Iscariot	Judas Iscariot	Judas Iscariot	1:23 Matthias	6:71; et al. Judas Iscariot

Anyone every know a Judas? How about a Thaddeus? Both names are identified with one of the twelve disciples, probably the same individual. Each name appears in two of the lists of disciples in the Gospels and Acts.

-Thaddaeus:

Matthew 10:3 - Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus;

Mark 3:18 - Thaddeus

-Judas the son of James

Luke 6:16

Acts 1:13

Thaddeus, or Judas, son of James is 10th or 11th in each list of the twelve disciples. He is called “the other Judas,” “Judas son of James,” and John identifies him as “Judas, not Iscariot.” (John 14:22)

Jerome dubbed him Trionius—”the man with three names.” Sounds more like a name for a superhero!

Trionius 3
THE MAN WITH THREE NAMES
Lebbaeus
Thaddaeus
Judas, Son of James

Who was his Father?

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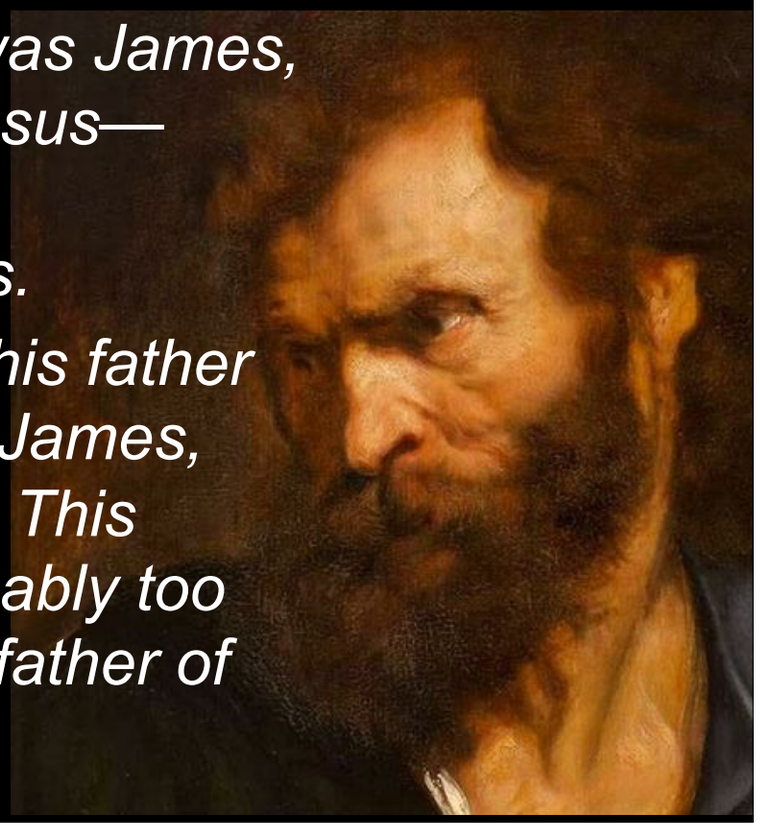

Who was Thaddeus's father? Some think he was James, the brother of Jesus—making Judas a nephew of Jesus. However, early church historians report that this James never married. Others suggest his father was the apostle James, son of Zebedee. This James was probably too young to be the father of another disciple.

Five Quotations from the Disciples

Within hours of His death, Jesus spent His last evening with the disciples, observing Passover and sharing the most important things with them. After the Passover meal Jesus washed the disciples' feet and predicted the betrayal. When Judas Iscariot left their presence Jesus began to reveal further plans to His disciples. He informed them that He would soon be leaving them and gave them the commandment to love one another.
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Five Quotations from the Disciples
There are four questions and a statement from the disciples quoted in John 13 and 14:
A quotation from Thaddaeus (Judas, Son of James).

John 13:36

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John 13:37-38

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Peter followed up (like a new reporter!) but got more information than he was ready for:
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3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And where I go you know, and the way you know.”

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John 14:8-9

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- Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us."
  - Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; …"

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10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. 11 Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.

12 "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. 13 And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.

John 14:22-23

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- Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, "Lord, how is it that You will manifest Yourself to us, and not to the world?"
  - Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.

5) Then Judas (Thaddaeus) asked, "Why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?"
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John 14:24

- "He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me."

Revelation comes through Relationship

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Insight One

- He is only revealed in relationship.
- Relationship comes through faith and obedience to His Word.
- Your love is revealed in obedience.
- Obedience is evidence of relationship.

"The power of identity"

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[This is what prompted the question by Thaddeus.]

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4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our[a] faith. 5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

2 John 1:6

- “This is love, that we walk according to His command-ments. This is the command-ment, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it.”

•Walk in obedience to His word.
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"The power of identity"

Insight Two
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Your influences affect your identity.
Who you walk with is seen in your life style.
Acts 4:12-14
"They took note that these men had been with Jesus."
Your identity is shaped by your relationship with Him ... And the revelation He has shown!
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I Know Who I Am

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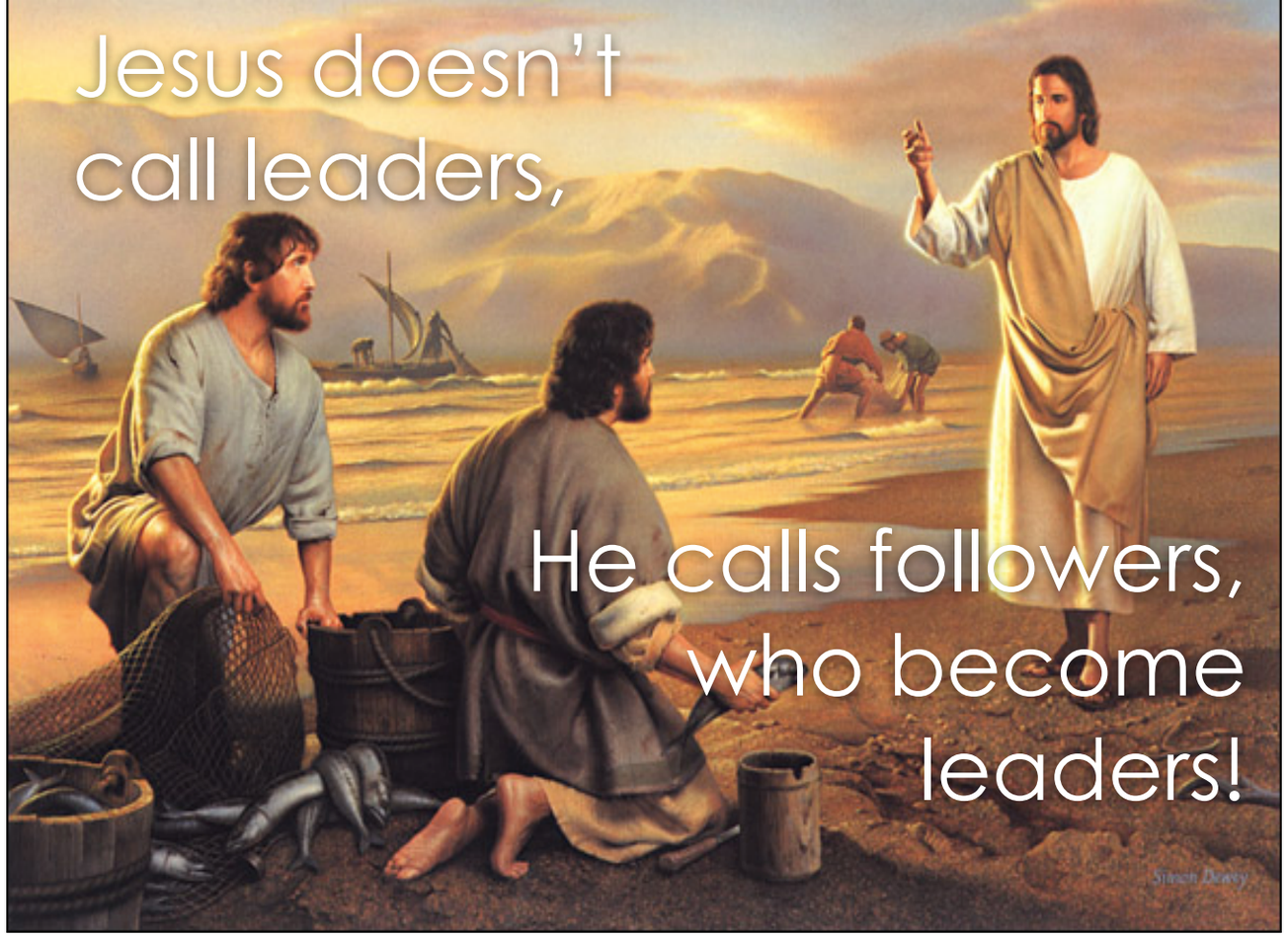

Jesus doesn't call leaders,
He calls followers,
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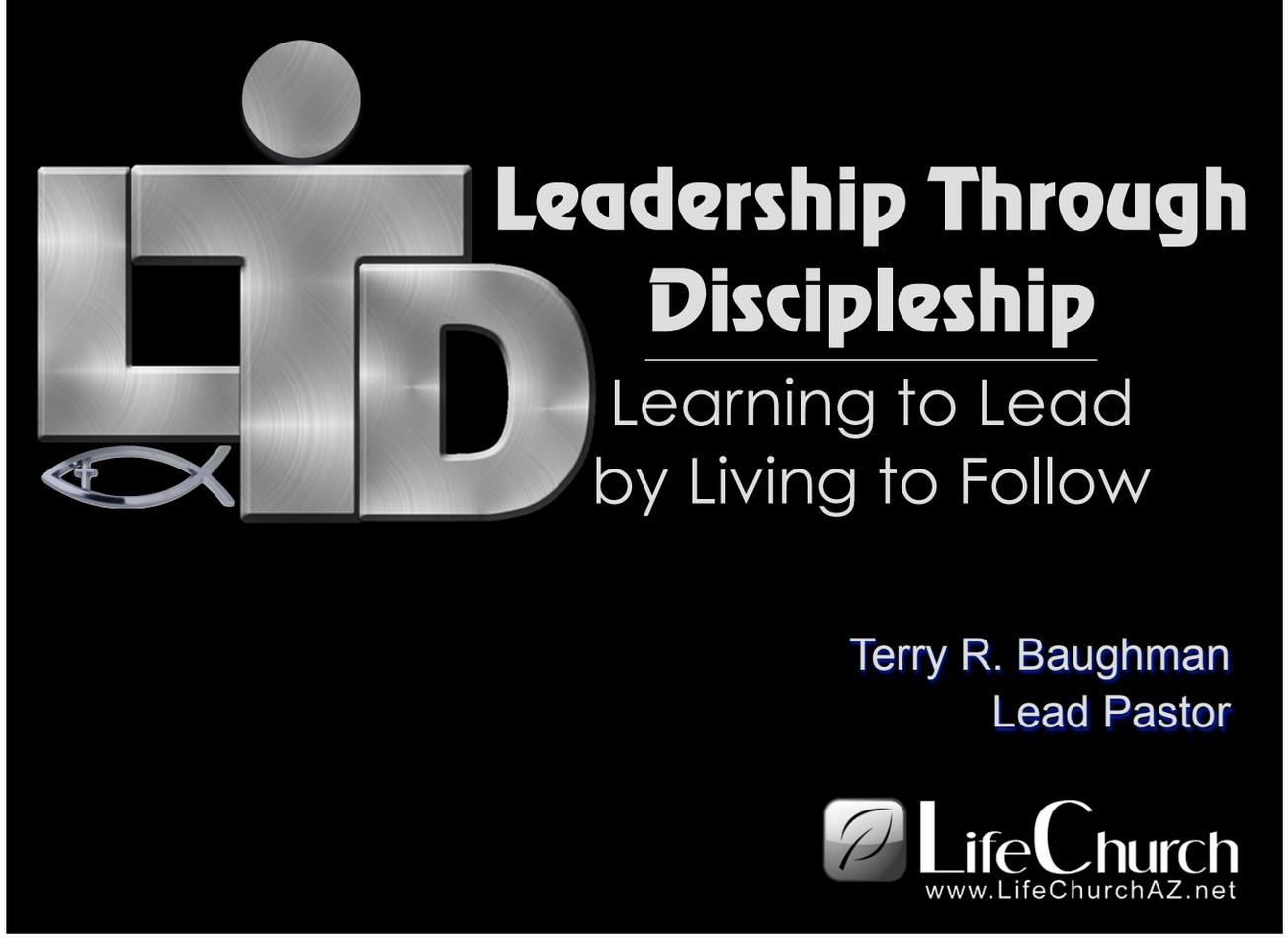
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