

INTRODUCTION

Jesus invited people to come and see. Today, we often find ourselves trying to explain Jesus, but what if he's better experienced than explained?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What is something you've personally experienced that can't be explained?
- 2. Have you ever personally invited someone to church? Or have you been invited by someone to attend church? What was that experience like?

FOR GROUPS THAT WANT TO STAY LIGHT ...

- 3. Read John 1:35-46. How does what happens in this passage differ from the way most people approach talking with someone about a relationship with Jesus?
- 4. If we think Jesus is better experienced than explained, what kind of place does the church have to be for people to see the Jesus you've come to know?
- 5. Who is one person in your sphere of influence that you can *invest* in or *invite* to church? What is it about that person that makes it easy for you to connect with him or her? What is one thing you can do this week to invest in that relationship?

FOR GROUPS THAT WANT TO DIVE IN ...

- 3. Read John 1:35-46. How does what happens in this passage differ from your understanding of evangelism?
- 4. What are some other examples in Scripture in which someone is invited to experience Jesus? What can we learn from these invitations?
- 5. Who is one person in your sphere of influence that you can *invest* in or *invite* to church? What is it about that person that makes it easy for you to connect with him or her? What is one thing you can do this week to invest in that relationship?

MOVING FORWARD

There are likely many people in our lives who don't know Jesus. We want them to experience what we've experienced. So, we invest in relationships with them. And when the time is right, we invite them into an environment where they may have a life changing encounter with Jesus.

FOCUS

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" John 1:29