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STUDY GUIDE

WEEK 2

**FOLLOW THE
LEADER**

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INTRODUCTION

*Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. **Philippians 2:5-7 ESV***

Few of us like change. We crave security, certainty, and comfort. The challenge is that God often leads us through experiences of uncertainty, discomfort, and even pain to help us grow to become more like Jesus. Jesus relinquished his position in heaven to come to earth as a humble servant. His obedience led him down a difficult road. The path of faithful obedience may look the same for us.

DISCOVER

Read: John 6:35-40

How is the belief Jesus describes in these passages different from simple intellectual assent?

Jesus describes himself as the bread of life, why do you think he uses this metaphor?

Give an example of how following Jesus has satisfied your soul in ways that temporal things have not.

Jesus distinguishes eternal life from being raised up on the last day. What does it look like to start an eternal life here and now?

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DISCOVER

Read: John 14:8-14

Jesus said that those who believe in him would do what he did. Do you think most people would describe Christians as being like Jesus?

How did Jesus act in the Gospels? Where did he spend his time? Who did he spend time with? What did he do?

What do you think Jesus meant when he said we will do greater works than he did? How can you participate in accomplishing these greater works?

PRAY

Seeking and listening to God in prayer are vital to our relationship with him. Take a moment to encounter God in prayer before you conclude your study.

Pray asking God to help you reflect Jesus more in your everyday life, then spend a few minutes in silence with God listening for him to speak. Conclude your time of prayer by writing down what God revealed to you.

ACT

The best thing you can do to grow in your relationship with Jesus this week is to put into practice the discoveries you've made during your study.

One of the best ways to follow Jesus is to position yourself near the people who reflect him most. Approach a person whose faith you respect and ask them to invest in your life.

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WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

Filling our hearts and minds with the Word of God enables us to discern what is right and true. Use these additional scripture passages to continue your study this week.



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Philippians 2:1-11



John 6:35-40, 57-59



Galatians 2:19-21



John 13:1-17



Mark 8:31-38



Psalms 23:1-6



1 Samuel 16:1-13



Matthew 11:28-30



John 10:11-15, 25-30



John 5:19-24



John 14:8-14