

Not a Fan | Follow the Leader 10.01.23

START TALKING | (Find a conversation starter for your group)

Who or what have you been a fan of? Why have you been a fan? How long have you been a fan? What has it looked like to be a fan?

START EXPLORING | (Read the Bible)

Read John 6:25-69, Luke 9:23-24

- Why were people following Jesus?
- Why did some begin to turn away?
- What was it that separated "fans" from "followers"?

START SHARING | (Choose a question to create openness)

- What do the above passages say to you about following Jesus?
- What does it mean to you that Jesus has the words of "eternal life" and is the Holy One of God?

Start Praying. (Be bold and pray with power)

Lord, my heart desires to follow hard after you. Continue to shape my life to reflect yours. Reveal to me any way that I have reduced following you to simply being your "fan." In your name I pray. Amen.

Start Doing. (Commit to a step, and live it out this week)

Jesus' call to us is one of invitation and challenge (Luke 9:23-24.)

• Spend time this week seeking God to reveal where you need to be challenged to grow in spiritual maturity and greater intimacy with God.