Know Jesus: What have I learned about Him?	Love Jesus: How can I grow closer to Him?
Follow Jesus: How can I live more like Him?	General Observations

FURTHER NOTES							

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Our Invitation to Follow Jesus

Matthew 16:13-20; 4:18-22

INTRODUCTION

- Jesus asks us a significant question Matthew 16:13-20
- Jesus issues us an incredible invitation Matthew 4:18-22

THE INVITATION TO FOLLOW JESUS

- Know Jesus More Fully –
- Love Jesus More Passionately -
- Follow Jesus More Closely –

THE WORLD JESUS WAS BORN INTO

To understand the world Jesus was born into we must first understand the impact four empires and one family had on the nation of Israel.

- The Babylonians (586 BC)

 The Synagogue
- The Persians (537 BC) The Scribes
- The Greeks (335 BC to 167 BC)
- The Maccabees (167 BC to 37 BC)
 The Pharisees
 Sadducees
- The Romans (63 BC to AD 70)

 The Sanhedrin

THE SCENE IN HEAVEN - JOHN 1:1-5, 12, 14

While all of this was unfolding over 6 centuries, the Trinity, God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, was waiting for the pre-determined moment to begin their plan of redemption. John 1 tells us:

- Jesus is the Son of God (1:1)
- Jesus the Son, the Father and Holy Spirit have existed in perfect fellowship for all of eternity (1:2)

- Jesus created everything in existence in the universe (1:3)
- Jesus is the source of all life (1:4)
- Through saving faith in Jesus, we can become a child of God (1:12)
- At the appointed hour, Jesus enters humanity as an unborn child in Mary's womb (1:14)

WRAP IT UP – GALATIANS 4:4-7