TO WHOM SHALL WE GO?... A Video Bible Study Series (John 6:68, NIV)

INTERRUPTIONS

IN HIS STEPS SERIES — LESSON 1 (MARK 5:21-42)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

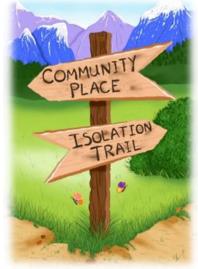
1. How would Jesus want us to respond in these following situations?

You are watching your favorite TV show, and a friend who is going through a hard time wants to talk.

- How would you feel about your friend wanting to talk while your show was on?
- How would you respond?
 - "You will have to wait until my show is over."
 - "Shhh, this is the best part."
 - "Let me turn the volume down. Come sit with me." (right answer)
 - "Get lost!"
- Why would you respond that way? How do you think Jesus would respond?

You were getting ready to take a nap and someone asks you to help with some chores.

- How would you respond?
 - Pretend you are sleeping and ignore him/her.
 - Ask how you can help. (right answer)
 - Scare him/her away by throwing a temper tantrum.
 - Let him/her know how unfair it is that you have to help.



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS CONTINUED

2. In Mark 1:35-38, Jesus was interrupted by His disciples while praying by Himself. They told Him that the people were looking for Him. What was Jesus doing when the disciples interrupted Him?

• Jesus was praying. He lovingly reminded the disciples that He must move on to other villages.

3. How do we know what God wants us to do?

• Pray, and study God's Word!

4. What interruptions annoy you the most?

- How do you respond to these interruptions? Do you...
 - Get angry?
 - Throw a pity party?
 - Get frustrated?
- Ask yourself these questions:

Does this interruption strengthen my faith in God, or someone else's faith? Will my response to the interruption make me more like Jesus? Will I be a Christian example for others to follow?

5. Why do we respond the wrong way to interruptions?

• Usually it's because of our "me first" attitude, or our own agenda.

LESSON 1 PERSONAL QUESTIONS

- 1. Think of a recent time when you were interrupted. How did you respond?
 - Did you respond correctly?
 - Did you stop to pray? How could you respond better the next time?

