

*"Anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person.
The old life is gone; a new life has begun!"
2 CORINTHIANS 5:17*

The most important **DECISION** that you make in this life is
deciding who you will **FOLLOW**

Who is _____ of your life?

1. Who you follow determines the _____ of your life on earth
2. Who you follow determines where you will spend _____ after this life is over
3. It's not enough just to _____ that Jesus is real
4. You must _____ to follow him whole heartedly

"Choose today whom you will serve." JOSH 24:15

*"Everything else is worthless compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus as my Lord. For his sake I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ and become one with him."
PHIL 3:7-8*

FOUNDATIONAL TRUTH #1 = GOD LOVES YOU

"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." JOHN 3:16

"See how very much our Father loves us, for he calls us his children, and that is what we are." 1 JOHN 3:1

- God's love is _____, _____ & _____
- There's _____ you can do to make God love you any more or less than he already does

FOUNDATIONAL TRUTH #2 = GOD WANTS TO BE _____ TO YOU

God wants to be with you far more than you want to be with Him!

"Come close to God, and God will come close to you." JAS 4:8

"Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in." REV 3:20

- God is not satisfied with a _____ association
- God wants to be _____ to you

FOUNDATIONAL TRUTH #3 = TO FOLLOW JESUS IS TO _____ LIKE JESUS

"The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life." JOHN 10:10

"Don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves." JAS 1:22

"You should imitate me, just as I imitate Christ." 1 COR 11:1

- Following Jesus is a _____ thing
- One of the primary indicators of our relationship with Christ is our _____ to His Word
- Our goal in _____ Jesus is to become _____ Jesus
 - To _____ as He thought
 - To _____ as He felt
 - To _____ as He acted
 - To _____ what he desired
 - To _____ what He loved
 - To _____ what He hated