

## **Devotional Guide**

Title	Immediately
Scripture	Mark 1:16-20
Message	The Gospel of Mark is characterized by much activity and the frequent use of the word "immediately." Jesus' ministry was full of action and purpose. As Jesus calls his first disciples from their fishing professions it is noted that all of them agreed to follow Jesus immediately. There was no hesitation, no consultation with family members, no turning back. No doubt this blessed Jesus that these men were willing to drop everything and join his mission. This still blesses Jesus today. When you feel the call of God on your life to do something: go to it! The fields are ripe for harvest and there is much work to be done. The disciples got many things wrong, misunderstood Jesus' teachings at times and even denied him and deserted him but they got the most important thing right: the got up and went when he called. God still calls us to that kind of obedience and self-abandonment.
Closing Question/ Prayer	What are you putting off that God is calling you to do?
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