



General Session 2

Choose & Commit

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True leadership and discipleship begin with **example**.

We cannot lead others where we are unwilling to **follow** ourselves.

As followers of Jesus—coaches, athletes, spouses, and leaders—we are called to lead with **Christ**.

But before we lead, we must learn to **follow** Christ.

Jesus is not only our **Savior**; He is the greatest **leader** of all time, transforming ordinary people by His **example**.

1. CHOOSE to See People (Like Jesus)

Jesus consistently saw people whom others **overlooked**:

- **Zacchaeus**
- The Samaritan **woman**
- **Jairus**
- His **disciples**

Every person wants to be **seen**—on teams, in classrooms, in homes.

As women, we often focus on what's **wrong** (stats, appearance, performance) and miss what **God** is doing.

Never underestimate the power of saying,
“I **see** you, and I **believe** in you—because I believe in the **God** who created you.”

Choosing to see people means seeing them the way **Jesus** does.

2. COMMIT to Serve People (Like Jesus)

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Jesus redefined **leadership**:

“The Son of Man did not come to be **served**, but to **serve**.” (Mark 10:45)

While culture chases **success** and **status**, Jesus chose to **serve**:

- The **hurting**
- The **overlooked**
- Even those who would **betray** Him

Often the neighbor we are called to serve is the one we **least** want to serve.

- **Family** who doesn't appreciate you
- **Teammates** who frustrate you
- People who may never **repay** you

Commit to serving others the way **Jesus** did.

3. LIVE Fruitfully: The Example of Tabitha (Acts 9:36–42)

Tabitha is the only woman specifically called a “**disciple**” in Scripture.

She never **speaks**—but her life **speaks** loudly.

Her life was marked by:

- Always doing **good** works
- Being full of acts of **charity**
- Being deeply loved by the **people** she served

She served people society **overlooked**—those who could do **nothing** for her.

She made **robes** for widows—garments of **dignity**, **honor**, and **worth**.



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The Result:

When she died, the community **wept**—not for her **title** or **platform**, but for her **love**.

Her life pointed others to **Jesus**, and many **believed** in the Lord.

She chose to **see** people and **serve** people—just like **Christ**.

From **Tabitha**...to **Jesus**...to **us**.

True Christ-centered leadership:

- Chooses to **see** people
- Commits to **serve** people
- Lives connected to the **Vine**, bearing lasting **fruit**

Even today, what stands out most is not **status** or **performance**—but **humble** service.

This is the **way** of Jesus.