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Part 2: The Power of an Invitation

The message of Jesus is Good News, but sometimes as Christians this message can be our best kept secret. One of the reasons this can be the case is because when we think of 'evangelism' all sorts of images come to mind.

What if our picture of evangelism is wrong, and getting in the way of us sharing the good news?

Discussion Questions

- Have you ever received an invitation that ended up changing your life, big or small?
 - What's something new you've tried recently because someone invited you? How did it go?
 - o If you could invite someone to share an experience you love, what would it be?
- What emotions come up when you think of inviting someone to faith or church?
- Read John 1:35-51.
 - What stands out to you from the passage? What questions do you have about the passage?
- How could seeing invitations as "come and see" instead of "come and change" make a difference to your conversations?
- Have you ever seen anyone respond positively to an invitation to church? What do you think played a part in their response?
- Jesus' invitations happened in everyday interactions. Where could you find natural opportunities for invitations in your daily life?
- How does it feel to think there are people in your circle of influence who may never hear about Jesus unless you talk to them?
- We all have opportunities to invite someone to engage in faith. Here are the "Four Nots" to look for when inviting someone to engage:
 - Not Going Well
 - Not Prepared For
 - Not in Church
 - Not from Here
 - When you think of those four things, who comes to mind?

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Weekly Challenge

This week, listen for one of the four cues (not going well, not prepared for, not in church, not from here). When you hear one, consider extending an invitation for the person to "come and see" at church, a small group, or even just a coffee to talk.

Who is one person you can pray for this week who needs to know Jesus?