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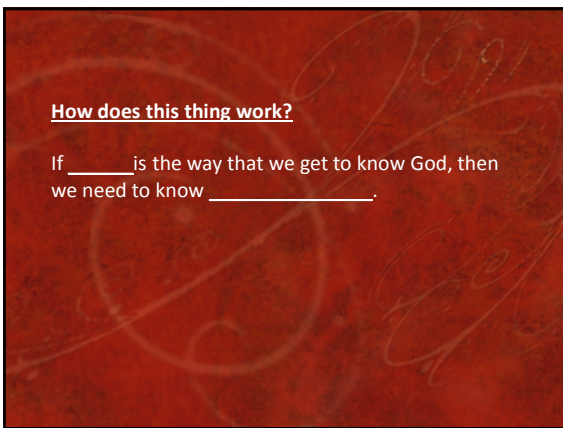
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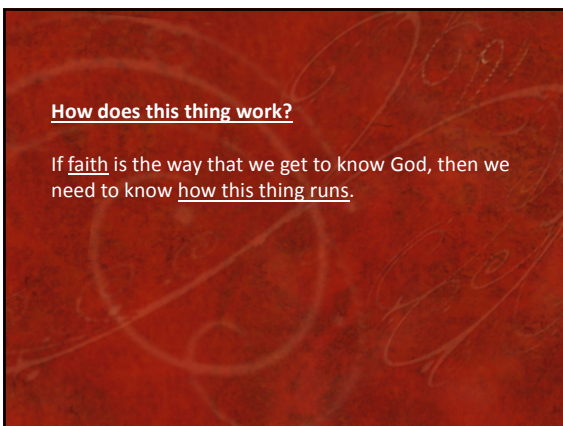
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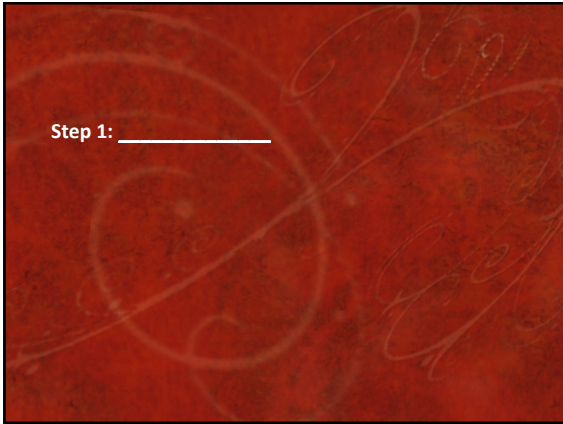
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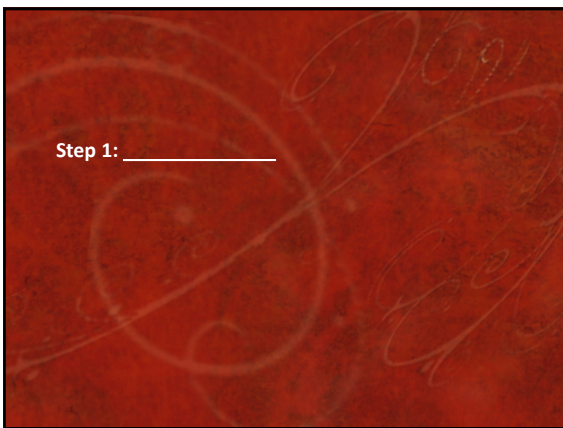
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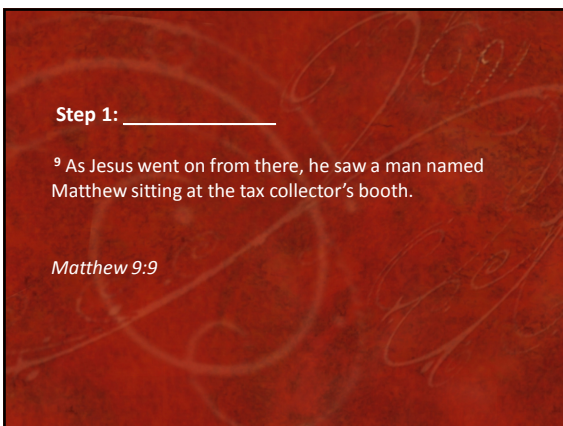
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**Step 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

*Matthew 9:9*

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**Step 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup> While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples.

*Matthew 9:9 – 10*

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**Step 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

Being a \_\_\_\_\_ was so bad that they didn't even fit in the same category as regular \_\_\_\_\_

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Step 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Being a tax collector was so bad that they didn't even fit in the same category as regular "sinners."

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Step 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus didn't lay out \_\_\_\_\_ for Matthew, he simply said \_\_\_\_\_

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Step 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus didn't lay out conditions for Matthew, he simply said "follow me."

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**Step 1: Follow me**

Jesus didn't lay out conditions for Matthew, he simply said "follow me."

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**Step 2: \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Step 2: \_\_\_\_\_**

Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." 27 So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian<sup>[1]</sup> eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of the Kandake (which means "queen of the Ethiopians"). This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, 28 and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the Book of Isaiah the prophet.

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**Step 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>29</sup> The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it." <sup>30</sup> Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. "Do you understand what you are reading?" Philip asked.

<sup>31</sup> "How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

<sup>32</sup> This is the passage of Scripture the eunuch was reading:  
"He was led like a sheep to the slaughter,  
and as a lamb before its shearer is silent,  
so he did not open his mouth."

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**Step 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>33</sup> In his humiliation he was deprived of justice.  
Who can speak of his descendants?  
For his life was taken from the earth."<sup>[ ]</sup>

<sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?" <sup>35</sup> Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus.

*Acts 8:26 – 35*

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**Step 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

Even though he still had \_\_\_\_\_, like Matthew he chose to stand up and \_\_\_\_\_ God.

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Step 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Even though he still had questions, like Matthew he chose to stand up and take a step towards God.

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Step 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Many of us have had an experience with God that caused us to stand up and begin to follow Him, but \_\_\_\_\_

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Step 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Many of us have had an experience with God that caused us to stand up and begin to follow Him, but we eventually got stuck.

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Step 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
The answer is \_\_\_\_\_  
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Step 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
The answer is the same as it was then – “follow me.”  
Every day.

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Step 2: Follow me. Every day.  
The answer is the same as it was then – “follow me.”  
Every day.

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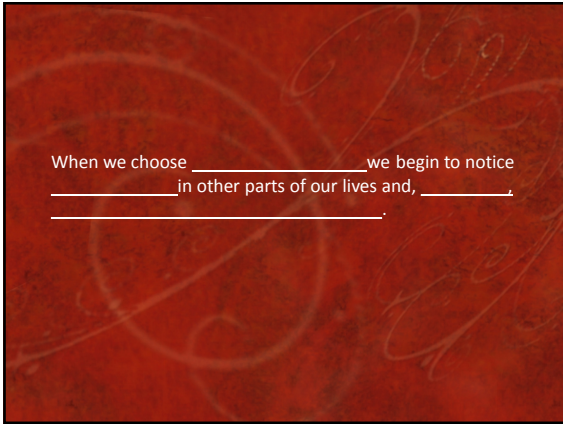
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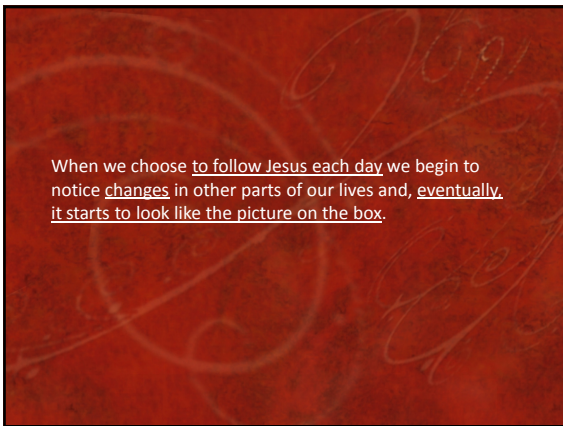
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