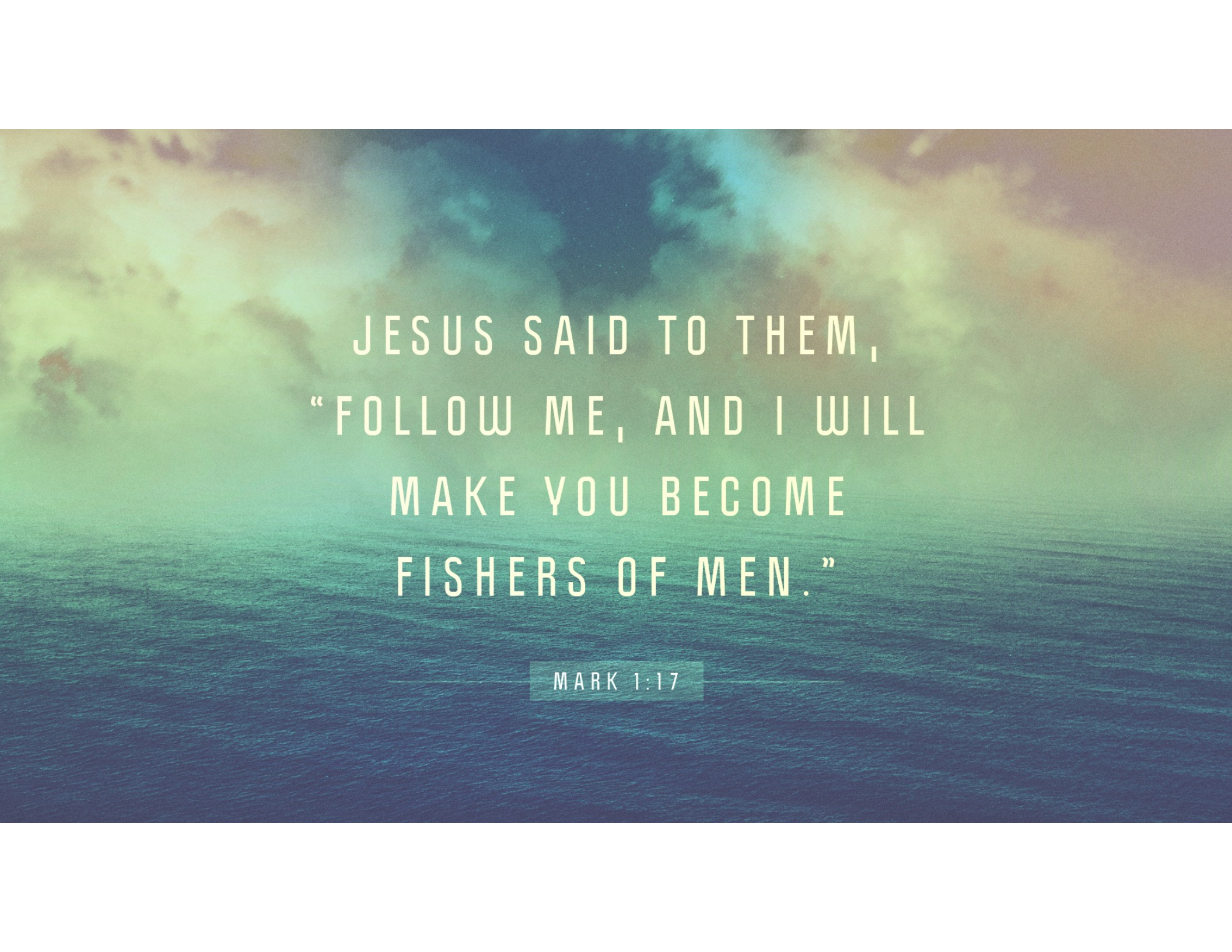





JESUS FOLLOWING

MARK 1:17



JESUS SAID TO THEM,
“FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL
MAKE YOU BECOME
FISHERS OF MEN.”

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The "Sermon On The Mount"
continues as Jesus teaches the
Righteousness of the Kingdom
expected in those who would be
citizens of the kingdom.

He discusses righteousness with respect to
man's relation to God,
regarding charitable deeds (1-4),
prayer (5-15),
fasting (16-18),
materialism (19-24),
and anxiety (25-33).



Regarding charitable deeds
Matthew 6:1-4

Matthew 6:1-4(NASB)

1 “Beware of practicing your righteousness before men to be noticed by them; otherwise you have no reward with your Father who is in heaven.”

2 “So when you give to the poor, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be honored by men. Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full.

3 But when you give to the poor, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, 4 so that your giving will be in secret; and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you.

1. Are you a charitable person?
Are you sure that your charity is
pleasing to God?

Were you aware that some forms of
charity actually displease God?

2. In Jesus' day, there were religious people who were extremely charitable...

a. The Pharisees, for example, would give ten percent to God - e.g.,

Lk 18:11-12

b. They tithed even the smallest of seeds - Lk 11:42

-- But as indicated in these two cases, not all charity or giving pleased God

3. In His sermon on the mount, Jesus taught His disciples to have a righteousness which exceeded that of the Pharisees - Mt 5:20

- a. Jesus first contrasted the "righteousness of the kingdom" with what the scribes and Pharisees were teaching
- b. He then contrasted what He expected of His disciples with what the scribes and Pharisees were practicing