Victory Connect Lesson
Series: We Are That Church
You Have My Yes!
Pastor Paul Daugherty
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- 3. Three elements of discipleship:
  - a. Choose to follow Jesus
  - b. Be changed by Jesus
  - c. Commit to the mission of Jesus
- 4. Jesus often calls "unlikely" people to follow Him.

1Co 1:27 NET - But God chose what the world thinks foolish to shame the wise, and God chose what the world thinks weak to shame the strong.

- **5.** Our "yes" opens access to the authority of the Name of Jesus. Luk 10:19 NKJV "Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
- **6. Our "yes" opens access to:** The power of prayer, the name of Jesus, the blood of Jesus, the Family of Faith, the power of the Holy Spirit, God's protection, God's provision, God's promises, the authority of the name of Jesus.

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Does God have your "yes"?
- 2. If so, is there something you need to say "no" to?
- 3. Share a time you said "yes" to God and saw a result?

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