RIDING IN THE WAKE

WELCOME TO WAKE! A wake is a path left behind by something that has gone before, and this idea is central to our ministry, as we call every student to follow in Jesus' Wake. We accomplish that through our vision: to be a place where students are known and accepted, taught about Jesus, and challenged to grow. To that end, we will kick off the school year talking through each of those three aspects, why they matter, and why following Jesus is the best and most abundant "wake."



- WELCOME BACK! What was the best thing that you did this Summer? What're you most looking forward to this new year?
 - We talked this weekend about "getting others in the boat". Why is it important for us to have others in our life?
 - Read Gen. 2:18. What does this verse tell us about how God created us?

 -He built us for relationship. Not just for relationship with God himself, but with those around us.

We want every one of you to be known

- and accepted here. What do you think it means to be "fully known"?

 -You are transparent with those in this group, meaning you don't feel like you have to hide sin or keep things from others. There is nothing "off the table".
 - What would keep you from being fully known by those in this group?
 -Lack of trust, fear of others, fear that someone may gossip about you or make fun of you, etc.

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- Read 1 John 1:6-10. What do these verses tell us about how we are to live?
 -We are to walk in the light, not claiming to be without sin (which deceives ourself) but confessing our sins, knowing that God is faithful and just and WILL forgive and purify us.
- Read Genesis 3:7-8. When Adam and Eve sinned, they tried to cover themselves and hide. In what ways do you try to cover and hide when you fall short?
 - can not only be fully known, but fully accepted as well. What do you think it means to be "fully accepted"?

 -We are loved and accepted in the same way Christ loves and accepts us. We don't use this as a license to sin, but as motivation to pursue holiness.

We want this to be a group where you

- Read Genesis 3:21. What did God provide for Adam and Eve? Why is this important?

 -He provided garments of skin, meaning
 - -He provided garments of skin, meaning that a sacrifice was made in order to clothe them. This is symbolic of Christ dying to cover our sins.

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Read John 13:34. How has Christ loved you? How can you love others in the same way?