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."



School's Back!

- *Pause for a moment of silence and shed a tear if you need to. #FullyKnown* How was everyone's first week back? What is going to be your best class this year?
- To ride in Jesus' wake, we must have a firm foundation. Read Matthew 7:24-27. What is the difference between the foundation built on sand and the foundation built on rock?

- This weekend we talked about "riding in the wake". Why is it important to spend time riding in the wake before going outside of it? What does this look like in your walk with Jesus?
- What does it mean to "put God's Word into practice"? What is one way that you have done this in the past week?

- Read John 14:6. What is Jesus saying in this verse? Do you believe he is the only true source of life?

 -Jesus alone is the way, the truth and the life. He is the only means through which we come to the Father.
- board without a rope? Probably never. How does "the rope illustration" tie into our relationship with Jesus?
 -Without a connection to the source, we are dead in the water. Without connection to Jesus, we're hopeless.

When is the last time you tried to wake

- What other "boats" are you tempted to try and follow behind? What has happened when you've tried that? -Popularity, athletic performance, grades, social media, video games, etc. They lead to disappointment.
- Read John 15:5. What does it mean to abide in Christ? How do you do that every day?
- -We abide with God through Prayer

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- -We abide with God through His Word
- -We abide with God through His people

Read John 10:10. What is Jesus saying here? How would your relationship with Him change if you believed this? -You wouldn't obey Him out of obligation or fear. You would joyfully and gladly ride in His wake.

What does Jesus say we can do apart from Him? How can we help each other abide in Him this week?