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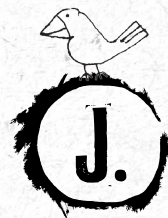
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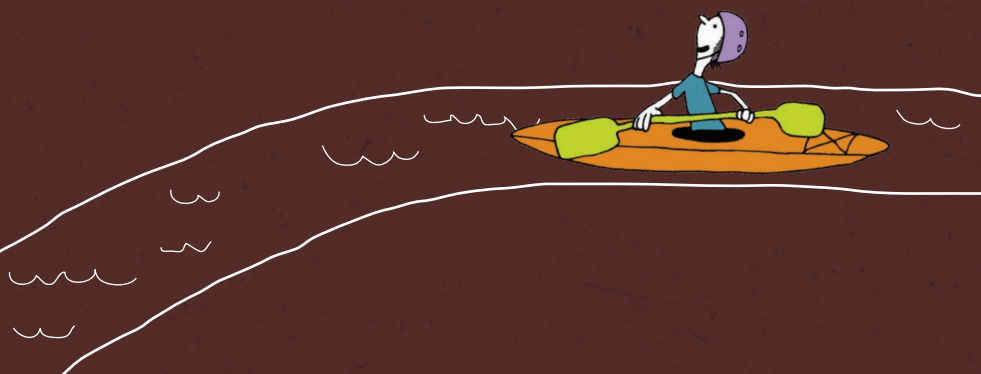
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## “What’s next? I wish I knew...”

Graduation is one of those milestones that prompts everyone to ask: What’s next? And then what’s after that?

Like it’s possible to lay out the next 20 stops in life. While still sipping punch at your graduation party.

When asked about your “end game” or “long-range plans,” do this: Say you’re waiting to see where Jesus leads. And that you’d appreciate any prayer along those lines.


Your answer will scare off half the people asking the question and intrigue the other half. And very likely surface a handful of Jesus-followers who lean in and say, “Me, too.”

Those are people worth getting to know. And asking to pray for you.

Mission accomplished.



*Your mom always bought Cheerios—but you don’t have to. Choose for yourself what you like, don’t like, believe, and don’t believe.*



**Draw a simple tree**—one with a wide trunk and branches coming out of it. Ask Jesus for a word or a phrase that represents the “trunk” of your future—what sort of life he’s calling you to.

Write what you hear on the trunk, and then ask Jesus to show you some of the ways you might be able to live out that calling. Write those on the branches.



ISN'T ABOUT WHERE YOU GO.

IT'S ABOUT  
WHO YOU'RE WITH.





## Be All In

Not about everything in life, but about something.  
About someone.

Jesus is an all-in, everything-or-nothing kind of guy. He's not interested in launching a fan club; he wants followers.

Maybe that's why he said this: "Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters" (Matthew 12:30).

Now that you're grown up...now that being a Jesus-follower isn't a matter of drifting along on family faith, habit, or tradition...now that following requires a decision...

What do you do with what Jesus said?



{ Work your butt off. That's how you earn  
the respect of professors and bosses. }

Tell Jesus if you're in...out...or making up your mind about him right here. **Right now.**

JESUS, I  
AM...

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## What breaks your heart?

You can learn a lot about people by watching what breaks their hearts, what grabs their full attention and won't let go.

Jesus was often delayed by compassion. He's rushing along to the next town and encounters blind men (Matthew 20:34) or a leper (Mark 1:40-41). He sees a crowd of hungry people (Mark 8:2) and pauses to meet their needs.

The hurting. The needy. The grieving. The widowed, orphaned, and abandoned. Those were the people Jesus couldn't seem to pass by without letting them know: I see you. I love you.

As you come to know Jesus better, you'll find yourself caring more about what he cares about. *Who* he cares about. And you'll come to understand that being delayed by compassion? That's no delay at all—it's the most important opportunity of your day.

Who in your life would Jesus stop to touch? Who'd get a kind word from him?



*You should for sure care about others. However, in shared showers wear flip-flops for reasons too disgusting to mention.*



# HERE'S YOUR SURVIVAL GUIDE

**JUST-GRADUATED**

Here's how to lure crumbs out of your keyboard. Nail a job interview. Navigate laundry.

And thrive spiritually—by keeping your focus on Jesus.

## Dig in to find:

- 40 Jesus-centered devotions that draw you closer to Jesus even while your life's a blur of work, chaos, and classes.
- Stuff you need to know: How to upgrade ramen noodles, wrangle a free sofa, cope with high-maintenance roommates, and more stress-saving life hacks. And...
- Journaling options—convenient spots to capture what you're hearing from Jesus.

Because you *will* be hearing from Jesus—and it'll change your life.



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