



March 24th Sermon Notes **Detour – Chad Schuchmann**

A detour is an unexpected event that causes you to change the direction you're heading.

Two Kinds of Detours

- Optional
- Forced

From fisherman to follower...

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him.

- Matthew 4:18-20

From follower, to foundation...

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."

-Matthew 16:13-17

Benefits of Detours

- Provide Protection
- Perform Maintenance
- Avoid Delays
- Show us a New Direction

Direct You

Equip You

Transform You

Open You

Use You

Refresh You

Detours take time, some patience, and at times courage to follow a different path, even if we can't see exactly where it is taking us.

Detours allow us to demonstrate to ourselves, to others, and to God, that He will get us to our destination, even when the path He leads us on isn't the one we've charted for ourselves.

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

- James 1:2-4