



Introduction:

- Every athlete at the Rio 2016 Olympics is seeking the same thing: an Olympic gold medal! GEICO would say: "If you're an Olympian, you seek gold...it's what you do."
- But as a follower of Jesus, what are **you** seeking?
 - What is it that drives **you**?
 - Why would **you** "train" so diligently?
 - Why would **you** deny yourself certain indulgences?
 - What is it that **you** are living for?
- The problem for most of us is we don't know the answer to that question. We don't have a clearly defined, narrowly focused, passionately sought "gold medal" that we are going after when it comes to our walk with Jesus. And consequently we drift. We go astray. We get sidetracked. The fire of our faith flickers. Our devotion to Christ wanes. And eventually, many drop out altogether.
- Jesus asked an extremely insightful question to some would-be followers in John chapter one, "What are you seeking?" How they would answer that question would be important. How you will answer Jesus' question will be important also. But even more important is Jesus' answer to His own question. He dangles the "gold medal" in front of us and shows us what to seek after.

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

– Jesus (Matthew 6:33)

Seek _____

"But seek first the kingdom of God..."

Pastor Dan's Personal "Seeking God" Challenge

A _____ a day!

A _____ a week!

A _____ a month!

Seek _____

"...and His righteousness..."

*"Blessed are those who **hunger and thirst for righteousness...**" (Matthew 5:6, emphasis added)*

*Be **doers** of the word and not hearers only (James 1:22, emphasis added).*

Conclusion:

Followers seek _____!

It's what they do!