





I will follow you

Luke 9:57-62

“Wherever You Go”

Sacrifice (57-58)

- **Easy to say, harder to do**
- **No promise of making this life better**
 - **Guard against expectations, disappointment and disillusionment**
- **Self-sacrifice is only reasonable**
 - *“I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.” (Rom 12:1-2)*

“Lord, Let Me First...”

Priority (59-60)

- **When we hear His call, and eventually... someday...**
 - **There are questions about the request**
 - **“Second burial” tradition?**
 - **There are questions about Jesus’ response**
 - Let the “spiritually dead” bury the “physically dead”?
 - OT High Priest forbidden to *“go in to dead bodies...”* (Lev 21:11)
- **There is no question, it is a matter of priorities (Matt 6:33)**
 - *“Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.”*
(Matt 10:37)

“I Will Follow You, Lord, but...”

Commitment (61-62)

- **Mostly committed... is not committed at all**
 - *“Remember Lot’s wife.”* (Luke 17:32)
 - *“Whoever seeks to preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life will keep it.”* (Luke 17:33)
 - Catch ourselves when we long for “Egypt” (Num 11:4-6)
- **The danger of following at a distance (Matt 26:58, 69-75)**
 - Let’s learn what Peter learned (2 Pet 2:20-22)
- **A good soldier is unentangled (2 Tim 2:4) and focused...**
 - *“But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead...”* (Phil 3:13)



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