

Sermon Application Study

June 9, 2024

Target Passage → Luke 9:57-62

1. Is there anything wrong with the first guy's request to follow Jesus? What does Jesus' answer tell us about the potential obstacle to this man's discipleship?
2. Is the request of the second man reasonable? Explain Jesus' mysterious answer to him.
3. What's wrong with wanting to say goodbye to your family? How does Jesus' answer give us an indication of a potential problem?
4. Why does Jesus speak of discipleship in this way? Wouldn't it be more advantageous to the kingdom of God to encourage people to follow instead of discouraging them?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → *Philippians 3:1-16, John 6:60-71*

For Me →

1. Is the loss of this world keeping you from following Jesus?
2. Is the prioritization of lesser things keeping you from following Jesus?
3. Is the longing of your heart keeping you from following Jesus?

For the Mission →

1. What, if any, of Jesus' method in this passage should we use in sharing the gospel with non-Christians?
2. Should Christians share the cost of discipleship with non-believers when sharing the gospel? Why or why not?

PRAYER FOCUS

Ask the Lord to show you where you are tempted to turn back from the hard work of following him. Ask the Lord to work in your heart to follow Jesus more faithfully.