



Follow Jesus!

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Text: Matthew 4:18-22

Passage Summary: While there is a time and a place to get to know Jesus, there will come a point in time when the _____ to follow Him will come, and a point in time when we must decide whether or not we will answer the _____!

180 Degree Truth #1: See that the call to follow Jesus is ultimately a call to _____; first your own, and then the _____ of others! (4:18-22)

Application: Recognize that when it comes to answering the call to follow Jesus, it involves...

- _____!

Remember: When it comes to answering the call to follow Jesus, surrender is required, but the ironic thing about this surrender is that it leads to _____, not _____!

- _____!

Remember: When it comes to answering the call to follow Jesus, faith will be _____, but this faith will open the door to some of the most rewarding, challenging and life changing _____ in your ministry of the gospel!

- A _____!

Remember: When it comes to following Jesus, to not make a _____ is to make a _____; and when you consider the reality that eternity is at stake, this is one decision you can't afford not to make!

Core Conviction to Live By: Resolutely determine that as the return of Christ draws near, that you will _____ the call to _____ Jesus; focus on becoming a fully devoted follower of Christ personally, and watch God use you to have a profound impact on the world around you!

"The work of fishing men and women out of the sea of sin, the work of rescuing people from the breakers of hell, is the greatest work the church is called by God to do."

John MacArthur

"In a chapel message at our seminary, guest speaker and pastor E.V. Hill made the statement that the church throughout the centuries has struggled with the temptation to be 'keepers of the aquarium instead of fishers of men.' Those words hit home to each of us in attendance. There is a world of hurt outside the walls of our churches and organizations, but we can be so intent on building our ministries that we don't go to where people are hurting. Instead, we just take care of our own. As Jesus' disciples, we all have the incredible privilege, and obligation, to carry the message of the gospel of the kingdom to those who live in the darkness all around us."

Michael Wilkins