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## GROUP DISCUSSION

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Prayer Requests:

### **Read out loud: Luke 9:49-62**

1. Jesus steadfastly set His face toward Jerusalem. He made up His mind to see the journey through to the end. Who is the most determined person you know? What is their motivation? As a Christ follower how important is it to steadfastly set our face toward following Jesus? What does this look like?
2. Jesus shares that our enemy is not other believers and not unbelievers. Why do we like to find a common enemy? How does this play out in culture? Have we wrongly villainized people? Jesus' message to the world is He came to save not condemn; how do we share that message? What role does the Holy Spirit play in sharing that message?
3. Jesus encourages the three potential followers to give up comfort, security and let go of the past. Which of these 3 are the most difficult for you? As you follow Jesus do you find it easier to let go of these things or harder? Do you know somebody struggling to follow Jesus? How can we help somebody struggling with one of these 3 areas? Pray for those mentioned.
4. Steadfast Commitment is an internal abiding in Christ that produces an external action. Jesus deals with the intentions and attitude of the heart with these the potential followers. Our commitment to Christ is first an attitude and surrender and then an action. Why is it important to spend time getting to know the heart of God? How has Jesus changed your perspective and led you to act differently? How have your values changed since following Jesus?

### **Family Time:**

Take some time with your kids this week and share your story about who you were without Jesus and were your life might be if it wasn't for him. Then share how grateful you are for the new life you have in Christ. Ask each child where do they struggle when it comes to following Jesus.