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# STOP MAKING EXCUSES

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#### **Luke 9:57-62** (NASB)

As they were going along the road, someone said to Him, "I will follow You wherever You go." And Jesus said to him, "The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head." And He said to another, "Follow Me." But he said, "Lord, permit me first to go and bury my father." But He said to him, "Allow the dead to bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim everywhere the kingdom of God." Another also said, "I will follow You, Lord; but first permit me to say good-bye to those at home." But Jesus said to him, "No one, after putting his hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

### What following Jesus looks like.

Getting rid of some misconceptions.

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## Matthew 26:33-34 (NASB)

But Peter said to Him, "Even though all may fall away because of You, I will never fall away." Jesus said to him, "Truly I say to you that this very night, before a rooster crows, you will deny Me three times."

#### John 2:23-25 (NASB)

Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name, observing His signs which He was doing. But Jesus, on His part, was not entrusting Himself to them, for He knew all men, and because He did not need anyone to testify concerning man, for He Himself knew what was in man.



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### **Psalm 16:11** (NASB)

You will make known to me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

If we're waiting for things to be perfect before being ALL IN with Jesus, the devil will always give us a reason not to be ALL IN! WHAT'S STOPPING YOU?

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### II Corinthians 5:14-15 (NASB)

For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

When we understand how much God loves us and what Jesus did for us. we are driven to follow Him not out of quilt, but out of love!

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Thank you for joining us!