

## **Introduction**

### **Follow Me: The true, radical call of Jesus**

In this series, we will answer the question: what is Jesus's true call to his followers?

#### **Luke 9.23-24**

23 And he said to them all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it."

#### **Part 1: What is his call?**

To give our life to change the world with him.

How do we change the world? We change the world by changing others' eternities

#### **Part 2: Why so radical?**

- His glory is our goal
- His grace motivates us

#### **Part 3: How do we live like this?**

- Key areas
- Total sacrifice
- The "crazy filter"

#### **Romans 12.1**

1 Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.

#### **1 Corinthians 15.19**

19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men.

## **Chapter 5 Radical Time**

### **It's Hard**

### **Never Enough Time**

### **The Dilemma**

## **Main Idea: Truly Following Jesus Means Following Him with All Our Time**

### **The Same as What Jesus Did**

#### **John 4.34**

34 Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work.

### **The Same as the Disciples Did**

#### **Matthew 28.18-20**

18 And Jesús came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

### **He Asks It of Everyone**

#### **2 Corinthians 5.14-15**

14 For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; 15 and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

## **How to Live this Way**

### **As Ambassadors**

#### **2 Corinthians 5.20**

20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

### **It All Counts**

## **Practically-Speaking**

### **Working with People**

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## **Working on Projects**

### **Romans 12.4-8, 11**

4 Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, 5 so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. 6 We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. 7 If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; 8 if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

11 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.

## **The First Priority**

### **Accept the Task**

### **It Will Consume Your Life**

### **It Won't Make Sense**

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## **Make the Most of Life**

### **Short Life**

“Life is short, it soon shall pass, only what's done for Christ will last.”<sup>1</sup>

### **The Most Important Thing**

### **Eternal Consequences**

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<sup>1</sup>Don't Waste Your Life; John Piper