

III. FOLLOWING JESUS WILL CHALLENGE YOUR
_____ (Luke 9:61-62)

A. Man # 3: Looked to the _____.

1. Initiated a _____

2. Raised an _____

“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,” Ephesians 3:20

B. Jesus: Looked to the _____ and the _____

“3 Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

4 I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do.

5 And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.”

John 17:3-5

Follow Jesus over worldly _____.

CONCLUSION: Are you following Jesus?

“His mother said to the servants, “Whatever He says to you, do it.”
John 2:5

FOLLOW ME
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INTRODUCTION

A. In today’s culture, it’s all about following and having a following. When you follow people you tend to become like them. Following moves you from where you are to where you’re going. Jesus asked you to follow him because he has a better plan for your life. In the midst of a loud culture screaming for your attention, you must hear the commanding voice of Jesus saying,

“Follow Me”

(Recorded **18** times in the Bible)

B. This four part series will show you how to follow Jesus.

TODAY	Following Jesus Will Make You
March 18	Following Jesus Will Break You
March 25	Following Jesus Will Challenge You
April 1	Following Jesus Will Change You

C. TEXT: Luke 9:57-61 (Pew Bible/Pg72/New Testament)
(Matthew 8:18-22)

Following Jesus means _____ and _____ Jesus.

THREE CHALLENGES TO FOLLOWING JESUS

I. FOLLOWING JESUS WILL CHALLENGE YOUR _____

(Luke 9:57b-58)

A. Man #1: Initiated a _____ request.

“For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it—“ Luke 14:28

*“1 Now it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, that He said to His disciples,
2 You know that after two days is the Passover, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified.”* Matthew 26:1-2

B. Jesus: Initiated a _____ response.

“Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?” Matthew 6: 25

*“31 Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’
32 For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.
33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”* Matthew 6:31-33

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II. FOLLOWING JESUS WILL CHALLENGE YOUR _____

(Luke 9:59-60)

A. Jesus: Initiated a request of _____.

*“2 Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.
3 For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.
4 When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.”* Colossians 3:2-4

B. Man #2: Initiated an excuse for _____.

“One’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” Luke 12:15

“If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brothers, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.” Luke 14:26

“Christ is not valued at all unless he is valued above all”
--Augustine

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