

Are You Going to Follow Jesus?

Mt: 19-27

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If you are going to follow Jesus, there are a few lessons that you must learn.

- I. If you are going to follow Jesus you must be willing to give up something. (Mt 8:19-20)
 - A. Following Jesus is not always easy.
 - B. Following Jesus will cost you something.
- II. If you are going to follow Jesus you must not make excuses. (Mt 8:21-22)
 - A. Jesus was always direct.
 - B. He demands loyalty over family and friends.
- III. If you are going to follow Jesus you must be willing to trust Him with the unexpected. (Mt 8:24-26)
 - A. A ship at sea.
 - B. Nothing catches Jesus by surprise.
 - C. Jesus is ready for the unexpected
 - D. Jesus can be trusted.
- IV. If you are going to follow Jesus you will see manifestations of His power. (Mt 8:27)
 - A. Jesus has power to calm the sea. (Mt 8:27)
 - B. Jesus has power to forgive sin. (Mk 2:7)
 - C. Jesus has power to provide for the multitude. (Mk 8:4)
- V. Conclusion
 - A. Following Jesus means giving up something, no excuses, trust and observing His power.
 - B. Life is not determined by how long we live, but by how we live.

