

Luke 9- Take up Cross daily

FOLLOWING JESUS

New Identity- 9:23-25

DENY HIMSELF

Take up cross- DAILY, Follow Me

I want you to die to your old approach to your identity

If you base your identity- how you understand yourself- on something that you will lose...you lose yourself.

IF YOU BASE YOUR IDENTITY ON SOMETHING THAT CANT BE LOST- you will always know who you are and where you stand

BUT- its going to feel like you are losing...because you aren't chasing the same things.

Notice- it happens daily- an ongoing decision to sacrifice.

New Priority- 9:57-62

Jesus response to "I'll go wherever you go"

FOXES HAVE HOLES (You have to prioritize Jesus over material safety and comfort)

I'm not the type of leader who holds big rallies and wins over crowds- I'm headed to a cross. To homelessness- and displacement and my life is one of ongoing positions of trust and faith. There's not much safety- as you know it.

Bury Father & Say by to family

DEAD BURY DEAD & PLOW

Last 2 are about doing something else first.

He's talking about the spiritually dead

Plow- Had to stay focused (die daily)

Jesus brings you to see spiritual realities...and those aren't for later. They are for now.

"I'll follow Jesus, but first career...have some fun...get established."

That's what spiritually dead people do.

"If you don't put me first, you don't get it."

Savior and Lord.

I can't let the Trevor part of me enter a room and keep the Atwood out.

New MO

Mercy, compassion toward enemies

The harder you are on yourself in the gospel, the easier you are on other people. Jesus Christ is saying to them, "My disciples are not terrorists. My disciples know they're saved by grace, so when they look at people who aren't doing it right, they don't say, 'Why aren't you as good as we are? Why aren't you as committed as we are?' They don't call fire down from heaven on people."