

7. When looking at Matthew 16:24, we are confronted with a choice. That choice is: Will we yield our lives to the Lord or do what?

8. Nothing comes even remotely close to the value of letting go of everything to do what?

9. When Jesus explained what was involved in being one of His followers, the crowds usually did what?

10. The notoriety of Jesus spread to where (Other geographical locations)?

11. Matthew mentions all the places he does because He wants us to understand what?

12. Jesus was very popular, but not necessarily what?

13. What did Jesus try to get away from?

14. The scribes were some of the leading opponents of Jesus, resisting His message and they hid behind what?

15. In relation to following Jesus, the scribe had not counted what?

16. What did Jesus know about the scribe's heart?

17. Jesus came to this world He created and while He was here He had no place He could what?

18. What was Jesus' favorite title for Himself?

19. What are some ways that many churches are willing to do anything to get people to be a part of their deal?

20. Why did Jesus often discourage people from following Him or even turn people away?

21. We know that people who came to Jesus sincerely and with surrendered hearts were never what?

22. When the man said to Jesus, "Let me first go and bury my father..." he meant what?

23. How do we know that this man's (vs.22) father had not died?

24. The man in verse 22 was looking for a way to postpone what?

25. What is meant by the phrase, "let the dead bury their dead...?"

26. Jesus demands total what?

27. Have you done so?

28. When Jesus calls us to follow Him, He calls us to follow with a what?

29. Is that your heart condition? Or are you holding back?

30. Are you holding on to something in your heart or life that is more important than your relationship with the Lord Jesus? What?

31. Have you counted the cost?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

»»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

»»How can I accomplish this change?

»»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

1) Read Matthew 1:1-8:27

2) Review the various miracles Jesus has done in the earlier section of chapter 8?

3) Review the conditions that Jesus gave in order for people to follow Him.

4) What do you learn about the humanity of Jesus from this story in Matthew 8:23-27?

5) Why did Jesus do this miracle in 8:23-27?

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CONDITIONS TO FOLLOW JESUS

Matthew 8:18-22

(Series #50)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“Conditions To Follow Jesus.”** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. For some people, their fascination with Jesus eventually resulted in what?

2. In our study of Matthew 8 thus far, we have seen Jesus heal whom?

3. The reason why everyone didn't believe in Jesus and love Him and follow Him was because He regularly did what?

4. Does Matthew 16:24 only apply to a special class of Christians?

5. What is our problem?

6. What does it mean to “take up your cross...?”

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