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A Study in the Book of Matthew



**When Jesus saw a large crowd around him, he gave the order to go to the other side of the sea.**

**Matthew 8:18 (CSB)**



**A scribe approached him and said, “Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.”**

**Matthew 8:19 (CSB)**



**Jesus told him, “Foxes have dens, and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”**

**Matthew 8:20 (CSB)**



**“Lord,” another of his disciples said, “first let me go bury my father.”**

**Matthew 8:21 (CSB)**



**But Jesus told him, “Follow me, and let the dead  
bury their own dead.”**

**Matthew 8:22 (CSB)**



**As they were traveling on the road someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.”**

**Luke 9:57 (CSB)**



**Jesus told him, “Foxes have dens, and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”**

**Luke 9:58 (CSB)**



**Then he said to another, “Follow me.”  
“Lord,” he said, “first let me go bury my father.”**

**Luke 9:59 (CSB)**



**But he told him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.”**

**Luke 9:60 (CSB)**



**Another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but first let me go and say good-bye to those at my house.”**

**Luke 9:61 (CSB)**



**But Jesus said to him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”**

**Luke 9:62 (CSB)**



**Do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit, but  
in humility consider others as more important  
than yourselves.**

**Philippians 2:3 (CSB)**



**Everyone should look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.**

**Philippians 2:4 (CSB)**



**Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus,**

**Philippians 2:5 (CSB)**



**who, existing in the form of God,  
did not consider equality with God  
as something to be exploited.**

**Philippians 2:6 (CSB)**



**Instead he emptied himself  
by assuming the form of a servant,  
taking on the likeness of humanity.**

**Philippians 2:7 (CSB)**



**And when he had come as a man,**

**Philippians 2:7 (CSB)**



**he humbled himself by becoming obedient  
to the point of death —  
even to death on a cross.**

**Philippians 2:8 (CSB)**



**1. If you want to follow Jesus  
you have to count the cost.**



**As they were traveling on the road someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.”**

**Luke 9:57 (CSB)**



**Jesus told him, “Foxes have dens, and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”**

**Luke 9:58 (CSB)**



**2. If you want to follow Jesus  
you can't delay.**



**Then he said to another, “Follow me.”  
“Lord,” he said, “first let me go bury my father.”**

**Luke 9:59 (CSB)**



**But he told him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.”**

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**3. If you want to follow Jesus  
you can not turn back.**



**Another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but first let me go and say good-bye to those at my house.”**

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**But Jesus said to him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”**

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