



Today's Message

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Title: *All In*

Text: Luke 9:57–62 (ESV)

⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” ⁵⁹ To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.” ⁶⁰ And Jesus said to him, “Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” ⁶¹ Yet another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” ⁶² Jesus said to him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

Introduction: On his way to Jerusalem, Jesus encountered three would-be disciples. His responses to them shake us loose from superficial notions about what it means to be a Christian. Jesus' words instruct *us* about what it means to follow him. To know and love Jesus will re-order our priorities so that he and his message take precedence over all other concerns. In short . . .

Today's take-home truth: Jesus calls us to be “all in” as we follow him.

- I. Those who are “all in” follow Jesus despite costly opposition. 57-58**

- II. Those who are “all in” follow Jesus with undivided loyalty. 59-60**

- III. Those who are “all in” follow Jesus without ever turning back. 61-62**