

THE TRUE GOSPEL
100 SCRIPTURES ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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WHAT PREACHERS OF THE KINGDOM MUST BE WILLING TO DO

Luk 9:58 And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain [man] said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

Luk 9:58 And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air [have] nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay [his] head.

Luk 9:59 And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

Luk 9:60 Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the **KINGDOM OF GOD**.

Luk 9:61 And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

Luk 9:62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the **KINGDOM OF GOD**.

Note: When we declare that we wish to follow Jesus, we must understand that doing so might be more difficult than we have ever imagined. (See Note # 31) We might be asked to give up even the most basic of creature comforts like our Lord who often did not have a place to lay his head. If God calls a person to go out and preach the Kingdom of God, that calling is likened to ploughing a field which is very hard work. And it is such an enormously important calling that the person must be instantly ready to give up his family without even looking back to bid them farewell or bury dead relatives. If one does look back with longing to his former life, Jesus declares him unfit for the Kingdom of God. This shows the total dedication one must have if God calls him to preach the Gospel.

The Apostle Paul, remember, received his calling directly from Jesus Christ when he was thrown from his horse and blinded while on his way to persecute Christians. (Acts 9) He understood very well the gravity of his calling to preach the Gospel.

* 1Cor 9:16 For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!

1Cor 9:17 For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward: but if against my will, a dispensation [of the gospel] is committed unto me.