

THE COMMITMENT OF DISCIPLESHIP

INTRODUCTION

- How do you measure the success of a church? _____
- Jesus wants commitment to being his dis_____.

THE OVER-EAGER DISCIPLE

- Will young, enthus_____ love sustain the call of discipleship? _____
- Our true ho___ is with Jesus. The world is not our home, it is the min_____ and mis_____ field.

Jesus was saying that if you walk with him, you will sense that the world is not your home. There will be dissonance, discomfort, unease, and rejection. He was saying that to follow him, one must embrace a life of discomfort. Kent Hughes

- We have exchanged the great co_____ of Jesus for comfortableness and have made comfor_____ the measure of our faith. But to be a disciple is to embrace a life of _____ comfort.

THE RELUCTANT DISCIPLE

- How are we to understand, "Let the dead bury their own dead?" Let the spir_____ dead bury those who are spiritually and physically dead.
- Jesus calls his disciples to have a radical reprio_____ in their lives.
- We do not reprioritize our lives because we m_____ (the Law); we reprioritize our lives because we l_____. (the Gospel)

THE SOMEDAY DISCIPLE

- There will always be _____ that keeps us in the someday mode for following Jesus.
- Elisha b_____ his plow. It was his way of saying goodbye forever to the old way of life. There was _____ going back.
- In following Jesus, there is no more someday; the day is _____. You cannot say that I want to live for this world and for Jesus.

HEAR & APPLY THE WORD

Following Jesus calls for a commitment to Jesus that is not easy or reasonable in the worldly sense

The call to discipleship is ultimately one of love.

Jesus says, "Follow me and be my disciple." What say you?

