



Exclusion, Excuses, and Evasion in Light of Eternity

Luke 9:51-62

Sermon Study Notes

It seems as though Jesus is trying to talk people OUT of following Him.

I. Set your face for submission.

- A. Jesus' determination stands in contrast to our doubt.
- B. Jesus' timing stands in contrast to our temper.

II. Count the Cost of surrender.

- A. Concerns about finances can cause you to linger. **Decision:** Will I choose comfort or the cross?
- B. Commitments to family can cause you to lag behind. **Decision:** Will I settle for mediocrity or sacrifice for the mission?
- C. Courtesy toward friends can cause you to look back. **Decision:** Will I develop a distracted mind or a devoted heart?

We are compelled to a superior mission because our hearts have been captured by a superior affection.

We have Someone worth losing everything for!

The cost of discipleship is great, but the cost of non-discipleship is far greater.

Supreme satisfaction is found in radical abandonment to Jesus.

The Structure of the "Jerusalem Document" or "Travel Narrative"

Luke 9:51-19:48

1. Jerusalem - saving events (9:51-56)
2. Follow me (9:57-10:12)
3. What shall I do to inherit eternal life? (10:25-41)
4. Prayer (11:1-13)
5. Signs and the present kingdom (11:14-32)
6. Conflict with the Pharisees: Money (11:37-12:34)
7. The kingdom is not yet and is now (12:35-59)
8. The call of the kingdom to Israel (13:1-9)
9. The nature of the kingdom (13:10-20)
10. Jerusalem - saving events (13:22-35)
- 9'. The nature of the kingdom (14:1-11)
- 8'. The call of the kingdom to the outcasts and to Israel (14:12-15:32)
- 7'. The kingdom is now (16:1-8)
- 6'. Conflict with the Pharisees: Money (16:9-31)
- 5'. Signs and the coming kingdom (17:11-37)
- 4'. Prayer (18:1-14)
- 3'. What shall I do to inherit eternal life? (18:18-30)
- 2'. Follow me (18:35-19:9)
- 1'. Jerusalem - saving events (19:10-48)