

“Intrigued by Jesus”

Matthew 8:18-22

Matthew 7:28,29

When Jesus had finished these words, the crowds were amazed at His teaching; for He was teaching them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

1 Corinthians 4:20

For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power.

John 6:53-55

So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves. 54 He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. 55 For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink.

John 6:60,66

Therefore many of His disciples, when they heard this said, “This is a difficult statement; who can listen to it? As a result of this many of His disciples withdrew and were not walking with Him anymore

“If you have any knowledge at all of human nature, you know that those who only admire the truth will, when danger appears, become traitors. The admirer is infatuated with the false security of greatness; but if there is any inconvenience or trouble, he pulls back. Christ, however, never asked for admirers, worshipers, or adherents. He consistently spoke of "followers" and "disciples." —Søren Kierkegaard

I. First Man

A. Identified

Matthew 22:34-36

But when the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered themselves together. One of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?”

John 8:3-5

The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman caught in adultery and having set her in the center of the court, they said to Him, “Teacher, this woman has been caught in adultery, in the very act. Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women; what then do You say?”

I. First Man

A. Identified

B. His Request

C. Jesus' Response

“All to Jesus I surrender,
humbly at his feet I bow,
worldly pleasures all forsaken;
take me Jesus, take me now.”

I. First Man

A. Identified

B. His Request

C. Jesus' Response

II. Second Man

A. Jesus' Exhortation

B. Man's Response

C. Jesus' Response to Man

Luke 9:59,60

“Lord, permit me first to go and bury my father.”
But He said to him, “Allow the dead to bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim everywhere the kingdom of God.”

I. First Man

A. Identified

B. His Request

C. Jesus' Response

II. Second Man

A. Jesus' Exhortation

B. Man's Response

C. Jesus' Response to Man

III. Third Man

Luke 9:61,62

Another also said, “I will follow You, Lord; but first permit me to say good-bye to those at home.” But Jesus said to him, “No one, after putting his hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.”

I. First Man

A. Identified

B. His Request

C. Jesus' Response

II. Second Man

A. Jesus' Exhortation

B. Man's Response

C. Jesus' Response to Man

III. Third Man

A. Ready to Follow Jesus

B. Stipulation

C. Jesus' Response

Luke 14:26

“If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple.

“So I saw in my dream that the man began to run. Now he had not run far from his own door, when his wife and children noticed and pleaded with him to return. But the man put his fingers in his ears, and continued running, crying out, “Life! Life! Eternal Life! So he would not look behind him, but fled towards the middle of the plain.”

Dear Pastor Phil and Pastor Roger, You should only be opening this in the event of death. When God calls there are no regrets. I tried to share my heart with you as much as possible, my heart for the nations. I wasn't called to a place; I was called to Him. To obey was my objective, to suffer was expected, His glory my reward. . .

A Missionary Heart

- a) Cares more than some think is wise
- b) Risks more than some think is safe
- c) Dreams more than some think is practical
- d) Expects more than some think is possible.

*I was called not to comfort or to
success but to obedience. . . .*

