

## Following Christ – Part 2

**Key Scripture:** Matthew 16:24; Mark 8:34; Luke 9:23

**Principle:** A response of \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ's compelling  
\_\_\_\_\_ Mt. 11:28-30 / Lk. 5:27-28 / Lk. 9:57-62

**What does it mean for me to follow Christ?**

**#1** Responding \_\_\_\_\_ to His commands

- Mat. 4:18-22 – who's \_\_\_\_\_ who?
- Col. 1:16 / Ps. 119:60

**#2** \_\_\_\_\_ my personal interests \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 4:18-22; Lk. 5:28)

- Including my sense of \_\_\_\_\_ and of self-\_\_\_\_\_
- Do I build my life around \_\_\_\_\_ interests or \_\_\_\_\_ interests?

**#3** Living in the \_\_\_\_\_ of His light (Jn. 8:12) – vs. \_\_\_\_\_

- Walking in the light of God's \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 119:105) vs. \_\_\_\_\_
- Living a \_\_\_\_\_ life before God and others (1 Jn. 5:1-7)
  - 1) God is \_\_\_\_\_ – vs. a life of \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) Practicing the \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3) Freedom in relating to \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn. 3:20-21)
  - 4) Freedom in relating to \_\_\_\_\_

**#4** Trusting \_\_\_\_\_ despite what \_\_\_\_\_ around us are doing

- Ps. 73:2-5 / Jn. 21:18-22
- The \_\_\_\_\_ diverts one from following Christ

### Following Others

Phil. 3:17 – follow my \_\_\_\_\_

- Example of a \_\_\_\_\_ life – in particular \_\_\_\_\_

2 Thess. 3:6-9 – follow our \_\_\_\_\_

- Of a \_\_\_\_\_ life and \_\_\_\_\_ – on the \_\_\_\_\_ things

**Key:** Follow others as they \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Cor. 4:16; 11:1)

- Heb. 13:7 – do they point me to \_\_\_\_\_?
- Imitate their faith / their \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ am \_\_\_\_\_ following? \_\_\_\_\_ is following \_\_\_\_\_?

## Discussion Questions: Following Christ

1. What are some attributes of Jesus Christ that render Him a compelling leader to you? Make it personal.
2. Consider the 4 items listed under *What does it mean for me to follow Christ?* For each one, write one practical question that would help you evaluate your following of Christ.
3. Read over Psalm 73. In addition, read Hebrews 12:1-2  
What are some Biblical steps I can take to break loose from the *comparison trap*?
4. What is *one thing* you definitely want to take away with you from today's message?
  - How do you plan to *follow through* on that *one thing*?