

Building A Better You For A Brighter Tomorrow

Part 2: "Follow the Leader"

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"Jesus called out to them, 'Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!' And they left their nets at once and followed him."

Matthew 4:19-20 (NLT)

WHEN I'M FOLLOWING JESUS FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW...

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HELP ME AVOID	

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take."

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NLT)

"Calling the crowd to join his disciples, he said, 'Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the driver's seat; I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how."

Mark 8:34 (MSG)

2. ...I NEED TO BE CAREFUL THAT MY _____ DONT DERAIL MY

Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. On judgment day many will say to me, 'Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.' But I will reply, 'I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God's laws.' Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock."

Matthew 7:21-24 (NLT)

"Dear Doctor Luke sends his love, and <u>so does</u> <u>Demas</u>."

Colossians 4:14 (TLB)

"Timothy, please come as soon as you can. <u>Demas has deserted me because he loves the things of this life</u> and has gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus has gone to Dalmatia."

2 Timothy 4:9-10 (NLT)

3. ...I INVEST MY HOPE IN HIM FOR ______, NOT IN MYSELF IN MYSELF TO AVOID

"So why do you keep calling me 'Lord, Lord!' when you don't do what I say? I will show you what it's like when someone comes to me,

listens to my teaching, and then follows it. It is like a person building a house who digs deep and lays the foundation on solid rock. When the floodwaters rise and break against that house, it stands firm because it is well built. But anyone who hears and doesn't obey is like a person who builds a house right on the ground, without a foundation. When the floods sweep down against that house, it will collapse into a heap of ruins."

Luke 6:46-49 (NLT)

"Then Peter chimed in, 'We left everything and followed you. What do we get out of it?' Jesus replied, 'Yes, you have followed me. In the recreation of the world, when the Son of Man will rule gloriously, you who have followed me will also rule, starting with the twelve tribes of Israel. And not only you, but anyone who sacrifices home, family, fields—whatever—because of me will get it all back a hundred times over, not to mention the considerable bonus of eternal life. This is the Great Reversal: many of the first ending up last, and the last first."

Matthew 19:27-30 (MSG)