

ROAD MAN #2

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As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head." He said to another man, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family." Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God." Luke 9:57-62 NIV

LIFE ON THE ROAD WITH JESUS INVOLVES ...

_____ YOU ARE EXPECTED TO COUNT
_____ YOU ARE EXPECTED TO ENDURE
_____ YOU ARE EXPECTED TO KEEP

"Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it." Matthew 7:13-14 NIV

Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me." Luke 9:23 NIV

JESUS SAYS

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THE JESUS ROAD

ROAD OF _____.

VERSUS WHAT? _____.

"Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live." Romans 8:12-13 NIV

"So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh." Galatians 5:16 NIV

ROAD OF _____.

VERSUS WHAT? _____.

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." John 20:29 NIV

“Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.”

1 Peter 1:8-9 NIV

ROAD OF _____.

VERSUS WHAT? _____.

“And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.” *Romans 5:2-4 NIV*

“Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.”

James 1:2-3 NIV

ROAD OF _____.

VERSUS WHAT? _____.

“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”

Matthew 5:14-16 NIV

“If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you.” *Matthew 15:19 NIV*

FOR DISCUSSION:

CAN YOU THINK OF A MOMENT WHEN YOUR DESIRE TO FOLLOW JESUS COLLIDED WITH A COST OF FOLLOWING HIM?

WHY DOES FOLLOWING THE “JESUS ROAD” NECESSARILY INVOLVE DISCOMFORT?

WHICH ASPECT OF THE “JESUS ROAD” MENTIONED TODAY RESONATES WITH YOUR JOURNEY AND WHY?

CRUCIFYING THE FLESH VS SATISFYING THE FLESH

LIVING BY FAITH VS LIVING BY SIGHT

EMBRACE HARDSHIP & GROWTH FEAR HARDSHIP & GROAN VISIBLE GODLINESS VS INVISIBLE WORLTLINESS

HOW WILL YOU VIEW YOUR JOURNEY TO GOD ON EARTH DIFFERENTLY AS A RESULT OF TODAY’S STUDY? HOW WILL THAT CHANGE THE CHOICES YOU MAKE OR ATTITUDES YOU KEEP?

