



## **SERMON NOTES**

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Scripture: Luke 18:28-34 (NAS)

Topic: "The Value of Following Christ"

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28 Peter said, "Behold, we have left our own homes and followed You."  
29 And He said to them, "Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or  
brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God,  
30 who will not receive many times as much at this time and in the age to come, eternal life."  
31 Then He took the twelve aside and said to them, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem,  
and all things which are written through the prophets about the Son of Man will be  
accomplished.  
32 "For He will be handed over to the Gentiles, and will be mocked and mistreated and spit  
upon,  
33 and after they have scourged Him, they will kill Him; and the third day He will rise again."  
34 But the disciples understood none of these things, and the meaning of this statement was  
hidden from them, and they did not comprehend the things that were said.

### **I. IS IT WORTH IT?**

- A. All The Material Things We Pass Up
- B. You Are Not Alone In Asking That Question *Psalm 72:1-14*
- C. Maybe You Have Never Stooped So Low To Ask That Question
- D. Peter Struggled With This Question *Matthew 4:18*

### **II. WHAT IS REQUIRED TO FOLLOW CHRIST? I John 2:15**

- A. Peter Said We Have Left All
- B. Jesus Said To The Rich Young Ruler Sell All
- C. Do We Only Need Say I Am Willing?

### **III. WHAT DO WE NEED TO GIVE UP? I John 2:16**

- A. What Are The Lusts Of The Flesh? *Galatians 5:19-21; Matthew 5:27-28*
- B. What Are The Lusts Of The Eyes

C. What Are The Lusts I Boast In? *I Corinthians 1:31*

### **IV. WHAT DO WE GAIN?**

- A. We Are Heirs With Christ *Romans 8:16-18*
- B. Even In This Life Our Gain Is Great *Mark 10:30*
- C. Our Greater Gain Is Future And Eternal *I Corinthians 15:19*