

Be Successful In Your Ministry 2025

Metropolitan Baptist Church

Weekly Bible Study

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Psalm

Introduction

As the Lord and his disciples traveled to Jerusalem a man said to Jesus, “I will follow you wherever you go” (Luke 9:57). How often we have heard and made such professions. It is easy to make promises in the flush of joy and enthusiasm, but not so easy to keep them in difficult times.

The Lesson

I. The Cost of Discipleship

a. Luke 9:57: Definition for impulsive: acting or done without forethought. Would you agree that there are many today in ministry that fits this definition? What could be some reasons people in ministry act out in this manner? Because it is clear they have not counted the cost.

b. Verse 58: What is the underlined message behind this verse? _____

c. Verses 59-60: What was behind Jesus’ response? _____

d. Verses 61-62: What was the overarching message in these verses? _____

II. Read Matthew 16:24-26

a. The cost of discipleship: Are you willing to give up your life for the life to come? What is standing in your way to become a disciple of Christ?

b. “Deny himself” is not simply about being modest. The Greek word used by Jesus means “disown” or “renounce”. This requires what?