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Word of Life Missionaries

Philadelphia-Baltimore-DC

The Good Portion

Luke 10:38-42

Background Information

Luke is showing us what it is to be a disciple of Jesus.

What in the world does a Christian do?

- (1) We are the Lord's ambassadors, sent to represent Him in this world (Luke 10:1–24).
- (2) We are neighbors, looking for opportunities to show love in the name of Jesus (Luke 10:25–37).
- (3) But at the heart of all our Christian walk is devotion to Christ, so we must be worshipers who take time to listen to His Word and fall at His feet. (Luke 10:38–42).

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name."

Luke 10:17 NASB

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

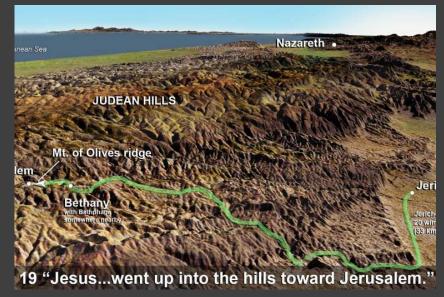
Luke 9:57–62

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And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

Luke 14:27 NIV







True worshipers listen to the Lord and fall at His feet!

Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me." And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her."

Luke 10:38–42

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1. We get distracted...

"But Martha was distracted with much serving"

2. We want control...

"Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things..."

"Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

Matthew 6:25–26

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3. We fail to take the next step...

"But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her.."

Faithful to my Lord's commands, I still would choose the better part; Serve with careful Martha's hands, And loving Mary's heart.

Charles Wesley



Few things are as damaging to the Christian life as trying to work for Christ without taking time to commune with Christ.

WarrenWiersbe



