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ULESHED: Releasing God's Glorious Kingdom in and Through You

Session 3: A Life That Stands Firm

GOALS

Main idea: True commitment to God's kingdom requires prioritizing Him above comfort, convenience, and other people's opinions.

Head Change: To shift your mindset from passive or conditional faith to an all-in commitment to Christ which you prioritize His kingdom above comfort or convenience.

Heart Change: To inspire a deeper devotion to Christ, motivating you to wholeheartedly commit to His kingdom out of gratitude for His eternal faithfulness.

Life Change: To live with unwavering commitment to Christ, prioritizing His kingdom through active service, sacrifice, and a focus on eternal purpose over personal comfort or convenience.

OPEN

What is something in your life you're fully committed to doing? What motivates you in that commitment?

TAKE-AWAY

1. Cultural, casual, and committed Christians reflect varying levels of dedication to Jesus and His kingdom.
2. Jesus challenges His followers to move beyond mere comfort and convenience.
3. True commitment requires putting God's kingdom above personal desires and delays.
4. Looking back or seeking approval hinders kingdom usefulness.
5. Commitment to Jesus connects believers to their kingdom purpose and establishes their eternal impact.

DISCUSS

Discuss what you just watched by answering the following questions.

1. How does the comparison between the different types of sports fans help you understand the different levels of commitment to Christ?
2. Read **Luke 9:57–58**. How does Jesus' response to the eager follower challenge your understanding of the cost of discipleship?
“⁵⁷ Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, that someone said to Him, “Lord, I will follow You wherever You go.” ⁵⁸ 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.” (NKJV)

3. Reflect on **Luke 9:59–60**. What does prioritizing the kingdom over personal obligations look like in your life?

“⁵⁹ Then He said to another, “Follow Me.” But he said, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.”

⁶⁰ Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God.” (NKJV)

4. Read **Luke 9:61–62**. How can seeking approval or looking back hinder your ability to fully commit to Christ?

“⁶¹ And another also said, “Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my house.” ⁶² But Jesus said to him, “No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.” (NKJV)

5. What steps can you take this week to move from being a casual Christian to being a fully committed follower of Christ?

REFLECT

Complete the following activities before watching the next video.

Read: Read **Hebrews 12:25–28**. How does understanding God’s unshakable kingdom encourages you to remain committed to serving Him, even doing life’s challenges and disruption?

Write: Think about what Jesus said to the three men who wanted to follow Him in **Luke 9:57–62**. Write down a brief summary of what Jesus said to each man.

Pray: Pray that God would empower you to be a fully committed follower of Jesus who is willing to give up comfort and go wherever the Master leads.